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RASG-PA receives FSF-Boeing Aviation Safety Lifetime Achievement Award



This week at the Flight Safety Foundation International Air Safety Seminar (IASS) in Santiago, Chile, The Pan-American Regional Aviation Safety Group (RASG-PA) was the presented with the FSF-Boeing Aviation Safety Lifetime Achievement Award.

RASG-PA was established in 2008 with the help of ICAO, IFALPA, ACI-LAC Boeing Airbus, ALTA, IFATCA, COSESNA, CANSO, CASSOS and IATA, with the purpose of using Global Aviation Safety Plan and Roadmap guidelines to realize a performance-based aviation safety system in the region. In the past, the honor has been bestowed on an individual for his or her lifetime contribution to enhancing aviation safety. This year marks the first time the award has been presented to a group of organizations.

Nancy Graham, Air Navigations Bureau Director at ICAO, said the group is the "most active, most advanced RASG in the world, because of [its] commitment to work together."

Former recipients of the award include: James Reason, of the University of Manchester, England and Robert Helmreich, of the University of Texas Human Factors Research Project.

Scottish airports forced to ration jet fuel

An Edinburgh Airport spokesman confirmed reports that the airport has been working with limited fuel and supplies over the last week due to quality issues at PetroIneos's Grangemouth refinery, Scotland's only operating refinery. Other major Scottish airports are also facing similar dilemmas.

As a result of the shortage, airports have been rationing jet fuel supplies to airlines in an effort to maintain scheduled flights.