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### **FAA and Aviation Safety Technologies in New Aviation Contract**

#### ***AST's SafeScan™ reports could lead to improved aviation safety and operational efficiency***

CHICAGO, IL — November 14, 2019 — Chicago-based [Aviation Safety Technologies](#) (AST) is proud to announce a new contract with the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration that could help clear a path to enhanced runway safety, improved operational efficiency for both airports and airlines, and better predictability for the traveling public.

The FAA has contracted with AST to receive AST's [SafeScan™ Aircraft Braking Action Reports](#). These reports deliver real-time insight into runway conditions and braking action based on data collected from aircraft-based sensors. The aircraft sensors allow measurement of the precise braking action of landing aircraft. These real-time, easy-to-use reports can be made instantly available to airplane operators, pilots, airport operations, airlines, and FAA/CAA authorities. Using this information, aviation professionals and the FAA can improve their surface management strategies and landing decisions for enhanced aviation safety, more efficient airport operations, higher runway uptime, and more reliable flight schedules for passengers.

“Our reports can provide airports, airlines, pilots in flight, and the FAA with real-time information about wheel braking coefficients based on data from landing aircraft and surface measurements,” said Joe Vickers, CEO of AST. “We are pleased to help the FAA in any way we can towards creating an even safer, more efficient aviation industry.”

#### **About SafeScan™ from AST**

AST's [SafeScan™ Surface Management System](#) currently delivers real-time data about runway conditions and braking action to several U.S.-based airports and airlines. AST uses data downloaded from aircraft in real-time to calculate wheel braking coefficients in their proprietary Aircraft Braking Action Reports. AST currently transmits real-time data from *1,600 aircraft and 6,000+ landings a day*. AST's database includes *13 million landings* and is growing daily as more aircraft are continually added to the network. In addition, AST offers vehicle-mounted mobile sensors that can detect contaminants at any point across any airport surface, from runways to roadways. Measurements include coverage area, type of containment,

depth, and air/ground temperatures. Using this data, runway and roadway maintenance crews can improve the scheduling and timing of paved surface treatments.

**About Aviation Safety Technologies**

Aviation Safety Technologies (AST) is the world’s leading **real-time** braking action and surface condition reporting company for aviation. AST is a portfolio company of the Dillon Kane Group, a privately-held group of affiliated companies that builds technology solution businesses. Visit the [Dillon Kane Website](#) to learn more.

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