

DOCUMENT CHANGE PROPOSAL/BRIEFING SHEET

FINAL DISPOSITION (INITIAL Not Required)

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CHANGE: 2

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1. PARAGRAPH NUMBER AND TITLE:

10-6-10. RUNWAY STATUS LIGHTS (RWSL)

2. BACKGROUND: As part of an ongoing process to reduce runway incursions, the FAA is installing Runway Status Lights (RWSL) at 23 airports throughout the United States. This system consists of Runway Entrance Lights (REL) and Take-off Hold Lights (THL) which provide pilots with an increased situational awareness of when the runway is safe to enter/depart from.

3. EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: This is a new paragraph which provides guidance for the operation and periodic check of the RWSL system. This change cancels and incorporates N JO 7210.758, Runway Status Lights (RWSL), effective November 15, 2010.

4. CHANGE:

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10-6-10. RUNWAY STATUS LIGHTS (RWSL)

TERMINAL

The RWSL is a system of runway and taxiway lighting which enhances pilot situational awareness by illuminating runway entry lights (REL) when the runway is unsafe for entry or crossing and take-off hold lights (THL) when the runway is unsafe for departure. RWSLs use a configuration of in-pavement lights installed on taxiways and runways that indicate runway status only; they are not intended to indicate a clearance. The RWSL system works in conjunction with the ASDE-X system along with the Field Lighting System (FLS).

a. ATMs must ensure that when available or operating normally, the RWSL light systems are operated on a continuous basis.

b. Operation of the system must be verified once each shift as part of the facility checklist.

No further changes to paragraph.

5. INDEX CHANGES: None

6. GRAPHICS: None

7. GENOT/NOTICE: N JO 7210.758, Runway Status Lights (RWSL), effective November 15, 2010

8. FORMATTING & PLAIN LANGUAGE REVIEW: ☒ HM 5/24/2010

9. SAFETY RISK MANAGEMENT: (Check appropriate box).

☒ **SRMD.** Proposed change meets full SMS requirements for safety risk assessment.

☐ **SRMDM.** Proposed change is not safety related.

10. **ICAO DIFFERENCES:** YES ☐ NO ☒



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