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To all aviation enthusiasts,

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) continues to make the reduction of Runway Incursions and Surface Incidents one of its top priorities. As part of this initiative the Ithaca Tower staff along with representatives of the FAA Eastern Region Runway Safety Office will be conducting a Runway Safety Seminar (RSAT) on **Tue. May 15th 2012 in the CFR conference room at the Ithaca-Tompkins Regional Airport, 72 Brown Rd. Ithaca, NY.** The RSAT Seminar begins at **7:00 PM and should conclude by 9:00 PM.**

As mentioned above, this year's program will be unique in that we have asked members of the FAA Safety Office to participate in the presentation.

We would like to invite all airport users and or a representative from your organization or business to attend. Other invited participants include Ithaca Airport Management, Air Traffic Specialists, Flight Standards District Office representatives, Facility Safety Assessment System representatives, United/Continental, Delta and USAIR airlines, Taughannock Aviation Corporation (TAC) (fixed base operator), East Hill Flying Club, Ithaca Hangar Association (IHA) and Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 811.

The purpose of this meeting is to assemble the individuals who actively engage in the movement of aircraft and vehicles on the Airport Operations Area (AOA). During which time a ***locally focused*** open discussion on how to improve runway safety can occur. We discuss the operation of the airport, from both the control tower and the user perspective. We also review any past runway incursions and surface incidents.

We welcome and appreciate your participation as we all strive together to ensure that Ithaca-Tompkins Regional Airport continues to be the safest and most effective airport in upstate New York.

Space is limited so please RSVP to Doug Lewis at the address, phone number or e-mail listed below.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you there.

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