

**Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)  
“Airport Safety Mark of Distinction Award”**

**Presented to the St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport**

St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport was awarded the FAA “Airport Safety Mark of Distinction Award” by the FAA Southern Region Manager, Airports Division. Ms. Winsome A. Lenfert. Ms. Lenfert writes that the award was presented based “on the Airport’s safe and successful oversight of the rehabilitation of Runway 4/22 which took place October 2011- August 2012, the drainage improvements with Pinellas County, and 35,000 linear feet of crack sealing on Runway 18/36”. The FAA Airports Division developed this award to promote safety among the Southern Region certificated airports and to recognize any action, effort, or event involving an airport that deserves praise for its intended or demonstrated effect on the advancement of safety

The FAA Southern Region is comprised of 8 states, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Airports that display exemplary effort or initiative in the name of airport safety are awarded the "Airport Safety Mark of Distinction Award". Nominations for this award are initially based on the recommendation of the FAA Southern Region Airport Certification Safety Inspector assigned to that airport. Any special airport program, initiative, effort, or record that has or shows promise to dramatically enhance airport safety, is eligible for recognition.

Typically, very few airports in this 10-area region receive this award yearly. It is of note that this award was generated internally by the FAA and not part of an application or competitive process that the Airport initiated.

It is a great honor to receive the award and the Airport will be recognized for this meritorious achievement at the next FAA Southern Region Conference.

Congratulations to the Airport “team” for their hard work and dedication.