

Follow-up Action on Occurrence Report

ACCIDENT TO BOEING B737-8AS, EI-DAP, AT GLASGOW PRESTWICK AIRPORT ON 26 NOVEMBER 2005 (AIRCRAFT STRUCK BY VEHICLE ON STAND)

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SYNOPSIS

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The aircraft had been parked on Stand 4 and the flight crew had started the normal aircraft shutdown checks. A baggage belt vehicle was being manoeuvred towards the front hold of the aircraft and subsequently struck the fuselage of the aircraft. No one was injured as a result of the incident. The report contains one AAIB Safety Recommendation.

FOLLOW UP ACTION

The one Safety Recommendation, made by the AAIB following their investigation, is reproduced below, together with the CAA's response.

Recommendation 2006-60

It is recommended that the Civil Aviation Authority should remind airport operators that their Safety Management Systems should ensure that safe standards of maintenance and use are applied to all vehicles and mobile ground equipment used in the proximity of aircraft.

CAA Response

The CAA accepts this recommendation. A communication to aerodrome licensees will be published in Reference Point in September 2006 to raise awareness of recent incidents and the lessons learned subsequent to the investigations. Aerodrome licensees will be reminded of the need to make sure that their Safety Management Systems, and those of operators, ensure safe standards of maintenance and operation are applied to all vehicles and mobile ground equipment used in the proximity of aircraft.

In addition, CAP 642, (Chapter 4, Annex B) will be amended by the end of September 2006 to stress that while the model proformae contained therein may be suitable as a basis for the development by an aerodrome of its own procedures, the objective is to ensure that the safety and performance of all vehicles are maintained by inspections, maintenance and servicing, conducted in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions.

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