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FAA INSPECTION FINDS USVI'S AIRPORTS IN COMPLIANCE



Henry E. Rohlsen Airport, St. Croix



Cyril E. King Airport, St. Thomas

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) completed its annual Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations Part 139 inspection of the Cyril E. King Airport on St. Thomas and the Henry E. Rohlsen Airport on St. Croix today, reports Virgin Islands Port Authority Acting Executive Director Damian Cartwright. Both airports were ranked overall satisfactory and within compliance of the FAA's Part 139 requirements. "HERA ranked extremely high and CEKA showed significant improvement within the last several months," said Cartwright. He added that VIPA is committed to working with the FAA to improve airport operations and remaining compliant with all federal regulations.

The FAA's Title 14 CFR Part 139 requirements outline the standards for certification of the approximately 550 U.S. airports with commercial passenger service. Airports that host scheduled passenger-carrying operations using aircraft designed with more than nine passenger seats, or an unscheduled passenger-carrying operation using an aircraft designed with more than 30 passenger seats must be certificated under Part 139.

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The Virgin Islands Port Authority (VIPA) is an autonomous, self-sustaining government agency established in 1969 as the owner and manager of the United States Virgin Islands' airports and seaports. VIPA owns and manages 14 seaports, two airports and surrounding properties. It is a critical arm of the USVI's economy that facilitates travel and commerce and fosters tourism and economic growth via its port activities. VIPA's mandate is to develop and maintain the ports of the USVI to accommodate the current and future demands of our users, and to provide safe port facilities.