PORT AUTHORITY AWARDS CONTRACT TO IMPROVE AND ENHANCE RUNWAY AT NEWARK LIBERTY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

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Approximately 10,000 feet of pavement on Runway 4R-22L at Newark Liberty International Airport will be rehabilitated later this year under a contract awarded by the Port Authority. The project also includes the replacement of runway lighting.

Port Authority Chairman Anthony R. Coscia said, “With the rehabilitation of this runway, the Port Authority will help to ensure that Newark Liberty International Airport continues to function as a world-class facility that adheres to the highest safety standards. We will invest the necessary time and effort to see that every aspect of this project runs smoothly.”

Port Authority Executive Director Joseph J. Seymour, “Airports are a 365-day-a-year business. With more than 1,000 daily flights on average at Newark Liberty International Airport, normal wear and tear takes place, and it is imperative that we conduct the necessary improvements as stewards of the region’s airports.

“We will conduct work on weekends and during nighttime hours when possible. The job also will require the closure of the runway for one 19-day period, and we will wait until the traditional summer travel season ends before undertaking this portion of the project,” Mr. Seymour said.

The contract was awarded to the Crisdel Group of South Plainfield, N.J.

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey operates many of the busiest and most important transportation links in the region. They include John F. Kennedy International, Newark Liberty International, LaGuardia and Teterboro airports; AirTrain JFK and AirTrain Newark; the George Washington Bridge; the Lincoln and Holland tunnels; the three bridges between Staten Island and New Jersey; the PATH (Port Authority Trans-Hudson) rapid-transit rail system; the Downtown Manhattan Heliport; Port Newark; the Elizabeth-Port Authority Marine Terminal; the Howland Hook Marine Terminal on Staten Island; the Brooklyn Piers/Red Hook Container Terminal; and the Port Authority Bus Terminal in midtown Manhattan. The agency also owns the 16-acre World Trade Center site in Lower Manhattan. The Port Authority is financially self-supporting and receives no tax revenue from either state.