USE OF AIRPLANE LIGHTS FOR DAYTIME RECOGNITION

TO

CESSNA DISTRIBUTORS, CATEGORY I THRU CATEGORY IV DEALERS,
AG DEALERS, CPC'S, AND CARAVAN I REPRESENTATIVES

MODELS AFFECTED

All Single and Multi-Engine Propeller Airplanes thru the 441/Conquest II

DISCUSSION

The FAA has a voluntary safety program called "Operation Lights On" which encourages pilots to use external lighting (rotating beacon, strobes, recognition, landing and taxi lights) during day and night operations, whenever the airplane engine(s) are running.

When using landing/taxi lights for recognition, pilots should consider using the taxi lights only, on those airplanes so equipped. Using the taxi lights will appreciably extend the service life of the airplane landing lights because landing lights are usually of higher wattage than taxi lights. In airplanes so equipped, use of special recognition lights is recommended instead of either the taxi or landing lights.

This is a worthwhile safety program instituted in the interest of flight safety and is beneficial toward enhancing the see and avoid concept. Owners and Operators are encouraged to participate in the "Operation Lights On" program.

In all cases, the information on airplane lighting operation as covered in Owners Manuals and Pilot's Operating Handbooks should be followed closely.

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