

Port Authority attains carbon accreditation for all five airports

The Port Authority of New York & New Jersey has received accreditation from Airports Council International (ACI) in recognition for its efforts to reduce carbon emissions at all five of its airports.

The agency has received the airport carbon accreditation (ACA) for John F. Kennedy International (JFK), Newark Liberty, LaGuardia, Stewart International and Teterboro airports.

With the accreditation, the five airports have joined the group of airports in the US and worldwide to have attained the carbon management certification standard from the ACI.

However, the certification attained by the Port Authority is not based on any specific projects but is a recognition of the agency's overall commitment to sustainable environmental programmes.

Port Authority Office of Environmental and Energy Programmes director Christine Weydig said: "This recognises our efforts to manage and reduce carbon emissions at our airports, and demonstrates proactive efforts to achieve sustainable growth and address the impact of aviation on climate change.

"The Port Authority is pleased to join an elite group of airports deploying best-in-class climate strategies worldwide."

The Port Authority has recently entered a partnership with the New York Power Authority, the Federal Aviation Administration and JetBlue to electrify ground support equipment at JFK Terminal 5 in order to reduce carbon emissions at the airport.

The agency has adopted several measures to attain sustainable growth, promote environmental efficiency in its operational activities and minimise the impact of aviation on climate change.

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