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Welcome to another issue of the JAAER. We are pleased to share three exciting articles with you. Our first article addresses an interesting issue: what effect do certain variables have on how employees respond to training in the aviation environment. Erin Bowen's article titled *Predicting Impact of Maintenance Resource Management Training Utilizing Individual Difference Variables*, reveals the findings of a study which was conducted to identify the predictive role certain variables play on the impact of maintenance resource management training program in an aviation maintenance setting.

Our second article discusses the integration of unmanned aircraft systems into the National Airspace System. Author Alex Mirot argues that the FAA should align unmanned aircraft system pilot qualifications with the requirements for manned and model aircraft. In addition, Mirot writes that the FAA should consider looking at how the U.S. Department of Defense established its standards and classification system for UAS pilots. In the end, the FAA only needs to make minor changes to its regulations in order to certify UAS operators with type ratings.

Our third article is titled *Measuring Demand for Access to Regional Airports: An Application of Zero-Inflated Poisson Regression*. Author Tony Diana writes that the demand for access to regional airports across the United States is likely to have a strong relationship with corporate jet aircraft that have on-board surveillance equipment. Mr. Diana states that surveillance equipment is much more likely to be found at airports with a lot of business jet movements such as Van Nuys airport.

I am pleased to share a couple of improvements that have been made to the Journal. The entire collection of articles published in the JAAER is now available via the JAAER's website. One can access the articles online and download them as well.

Enjoy this edition of the JAAER. As always, I welcome any feedback that you may have about the Journal. Feel free to contact me at friedend@erau.edu.

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