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The Honorable Lisa A. Murkowski
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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Dear Senator Murkowski:

Thank you for your letter of August 21, cosigned by Congressman Don Young, requesting that the U.S. Department of Transportation expedite its decision regarding the application filed by Sky King, Inc. (Sky King) for an exemption pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 40109 to engage in air transportation between points within the State of Alaska.

Sky King has applied to the Department for an emergency exemption from 49 U.S.C. § 41104(c) and 14 CFR § 212.3(l) to provide charter air transportation within Alaska and has requested expedited treatment and immediate action on its application. Interested parties were allowed until August 3 to file answers to Sky King's application. Responsive pleadings, both in support and in opposition to the application, have been filed in the docket. Access to the docket is available at the Department's Docket Management System website, which is located at <http://dms.dot.gov>. Entering the docket number 28795 into the simple search function provides access to the full record.

Finally, as this proceeding is pending, I am sure you understand that I cannot comment on the merits of Sky King's application. I assure you, however, that the Department is working as expeditiously as possible and giving full consideration to Sky King's application, together with all comments on the record in the docket.

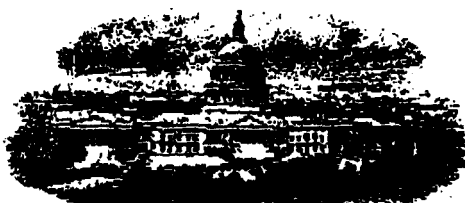
As is our normal practice, I am placing a copy of your letter and this response in Docket OST-2007-28795 as a contact outside the record of this matter. An identical letter has been sent to Congressman Don Young. I appreciate your interest in this proceeding.

Sincerely yours,

Very respectfully,

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The Honorable Mary E. Peters
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Dear Madam Secretary,

We wrote to you on July 18, 2007 in regards to the application for exemption pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 40109 to engage in charter air transportation between points within the State of Alaska filed by Sky King, Inc.

It has been brought to our attention that the review process seemingly has stalled with no definite timeline in place for a decision. We would appreciate it if the process could be restarted and a decision be rendered in the very near future. We would also appreciate a response from your office once a decision has been reached.

Thank you for your attention and consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

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