



TO : Office of the Secretary, Department of Transportation
FR : Charles M. Durham III
RE : Docket No. DOT-OST-2007-0108
DT : January 4, 2008

Dear Secretary:

ExpressJet Airlines is seeking membership on the proposed Task Force for lengthy airline on-board ground delays. As a Certified Air Carrier, ExpressJet operates 274 regional jets in scheduled passenger operations in hubs and focus cities across the United States, Canada and Latin America. ExpressJet finds itself in a unique situation as a carrier that performs scheduled service independently on its own behalf as well as for Major Trunk Line Carriers. The diversity of our operations allows our experienced staff members to offer multiple perspectives of the Aviation Industry, Airports, Airspace and Operational Performance. This level of expertise and exposure would be an asset to the proposed task force.

The ExpressJet System Operations Control Center is responsible for the safe, legal and on-time performance of over 1500 flights a day. I serve in the capacity of Senior Manager of Dispatch, System Operations Control. In addition to reviewing the regulatory compliance of the office, I am responsible for the implementation of procedures and policies that determine the successful completion of passenger flights. My organization is willing to pledge my services, the time and resources required to attend required task force meetings and events.

In addition to over twenty years of airline operational experience, I offer valuable contact to Company and industry leaders that can assist the task force in reviewing policies, procedures and implementation plans for future regulations and directives. My contact information can be found on the attached resume. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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