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Dear Mr. Takano:

On October 16, 2009, the Federal Aviation Administration revised Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) parts 1, 21, and 45. Portions of this new rule becomes effective on April 14, 2010. A significant change resulting from this new rule is that aircraft engines and propellers will no longer be exported using FAA Form 8130-4, Export Certificate of Airworthiness. Instead, aircraft engines and propellers will be exported using FAA Form 8130-3, Authorized Release Certificate. Complete aircraft will continue to be exported using FAA Form 8130-4. This differs from the text in paragraph 3.2.2.0 (b) of the Bilateral Aviation Safety Agreement with Implementation Procedures for Airworthiness (BASA IPA) between the United States and Japan, dated 04/27/2009, which states that the FAA shall export aircraft, engines and propellers using FAA Form 8130-4.

This information is being sent as prescribed in 1.3 of the airworthiness bilateral agreement existing between our two countries. We would be glad, if you desire, to discuss the need to reflect this change as a minor revision to the Implementing Procedures.

Please provide your acknowledgement of this change to our regulations. We look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Carter".

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Dear Mr. Carter:

I would like to thank you for your letter to Mr. Takano, the Director of Airworthiness Division, dated March 24, 2010, which provided information on new FAA regulations in Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations parts 1, 21, and 45. Based on your information, we have already distributed the relevant information to JCAB engineers, as well as operators, and approved organizations in Japan. I appreciate your provision of information based on the Implementation Procedures for Airworthiness (IPA).

Regarding your question about the necessity to reflect on the IPA, I also feel that it is a minor change to the relevant procedures and it would be appropriate that the necessary revision to IPA on this matter would be made at a later date when other revisions become necessary.

Taking this opportunity, I would like to introduce myself that I succeeded Mr. Koichi Narisawa as the Director of Airworthiness Standards and International Affairs Office on April 1, 2010, and Mr. Narisawa was transferred to the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA).

Yours sincerely,


Yuji Yanagisawa

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