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April 25, 2017

Office of the Administrator

800 Independence Ave., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20591

The Honorable John Thune
Chairman, Committee on Commerce
Science, and Transportation
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

As requested in Section 2307(f) of the FAA Extension, Safety, and Security Act of 2016, P.L. 114-190, I am pleased to provide you a report on the Conditions AMEs Can Issue (CACI) program. This program allows physicians who are specially trained, designated, and overseen by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) – known as Aviation Medical Examiners (AMEs) – to issue medical certificates to applicants with conditions that previously required review and special issuance by the FAA's Office of Aerospace Medicine. AMEs are provided worksheets that guide them in their decision making process, and help to determine if an individual airman presents a low safety risk.

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We are planning to add these conditions to the CACI program by May 1, 2017, and there are over 20 other medical conditions that have been proposed for consideration under the CACI program which the FAA will be evaluating. We appreciate the guidance from Congress regarding this program, and will continue working closely with you, the AME community, and other interested stakeholders.

We have sent identical letters to Chairman Shuster, Senator Nelson, and Congressman DeFazio.

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me or Kate Howard, Acting Assistant Administrator for Government and Industry Affairs, at (202) 267-3277.

Sincerely,

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