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FAA 98-4379-3

Re: Docket No. 293 10; Comments of ABA Section of Public
Contract Law – Request for Extension

Dear Mr. Churchill:

Thank you for your letter of October **20, 1998** on behalf of the Public Contract Law Section, which was received by the FAA Office of Dispute Resolution for Acquisition on October **29, 1998**. We appreciate the interest of your Section and value the constructive participation of your members in the rule making process.

Although our notice of proposed rulemaking provides that the comment period closed on October 26, 1998, it also provides that late-filed comments will be considered to the extent practicable. Although we will not consider generally reopening the comment period to allow you to submit late-filed comments, we do not believe that submission of the Section's comments on Monday, November **17, 1998** will cause the FAA to incur any expense or delay in finalizing the proposed rule. Accordingly, we will consider the Section's comments pursuant to 14 C.F.R. § 11.47, which provides "[l]ate filed comments are considered so far as possible without incurring expense or delay." Please call me if you have any questions at (202) 3666400.

Sincerely,

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Dispute Resolution Officer
Office of Dispute Resolution
For Acquisition, AGC-70