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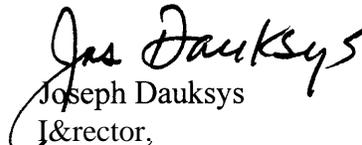
Gentlemen:

Pursuant to 14 CFR 11.29c, on behalf of the Aerospace Industries Association I would like to request an extension of the date for submitting comment on the referenced Docket No. FAA-I 999-5836. As a representative of organizations currently certificated under 14 CFR Part 145, the petitioner has a substantive interest in the proposed rule.

Due to the volume of data contained in the draft proposal and the need to coordinate both domestic and international comments, a proper review and analysis of the document warrants additional time for review. As the document has been under development since 1995 the likelihood that the public will be offered any other opportunity to provide substantive information and comment is remote considering the time and effort utilized by the FAA to develop and issue the proposal. Additionally, we are sensitive to continuing legislative efforts to modify Part 145 and these actions must be considered in the development of any modified rule in order to preclude further efforts to restrict certifications.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that the FAA extend the due date for comment for a minimum of 60 days. Should you have any questions regarding this request I may be contacted at 202/371-8433.

Very truly yours,


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