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To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to comment on the proposed regulations concerning public charter operations. In 1996, Congress limited scheduled passenger service operations at uncertificated airports to aircraft with 9 passenger seats or less. The change was intended to ensure that passenger flights were limited to airports equipped to handle passenger air crashes.

Congress recently, through legislation, extended the 9-passenger seat limit to public charter companies, which would operate under a regular schedule (Section 723 of Public Law 106-181 amends 49 U.S.C. § 41104).

I am a resident of Englewood, Colorado, near Centennial Airport. I am opposed to any expansion of service beyond its current capability due to the high-density population in the area and the excessive noise that it would create. Section 723 was adopted to close a loophole for small commuter carriers claiming charter status to avoid the earlier limits on scheduled passenger service at uncertificated airports.

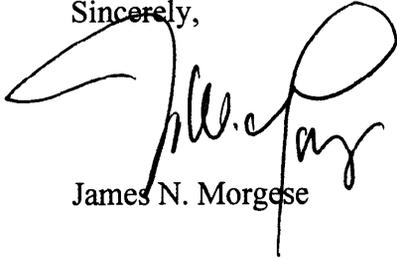
The draft rules published by the Federal Aviation Administration to implement these changes simply do not do the job. The draft rules completely exclude "small" scheduled air charter operations from the requirement that they operate only at certificated airports. The term "small" aircraft includes most commuter aircraft between 10-30 passengers.

The federal law applies to all charter operations, both large and small. The revised rules must be changed to acknowledge that all public charter operations using aircraft with

more than 9 passenger seats that operate under a schedule cannot operate at an uncertificated airport.

Please include these comments as part of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the above docket.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Morgese", written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely," and above the printed name "James N. Morgese".

James N. Morgese