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Dear M. BACHELET:

On behalf of the Air Transport Association (ATA) and the Modification and Replacement Parts Association (MARPA), we write to bring several statements of CFM International Inc. (CFM) to your attention that we believe are potentially misleading to the public. The statements at issue imply that certain aviation products are unsafe, when objective evidence surrounding the products in question makes it clear that such claims are factually incorrect. In particular, we cite the following two instances:

CFM has published an advertisement featuring an Elvis impersonator with the statement that "Only genuine CFM replacement parts perform as good as the original." The advertisement implies that all other parts are inferior. This is not the case - engineering and in-service data support the fact that FAA-approved non-CFM replacement parts perform as well as CFM parts.

A CFM representative gave a presentation during an industry conference regarding a PMA bolt failure. The presentation made observations about the physical characteristics of the bolt, and suggested that the bolt was inferior to a CFM bolt. A recent briefing about the PMA bolt in question at the FAA's offices concluded that the PMA bolts met the same specifications as the comparable CFM bolts.

In each of these two cases, CFM appears to make false or misleading statements about competitors' products. Because these statements reflect upon the airworthiness of the products in question, they tend to undermine public confidence in the airworthiness approval process used by government airworthiness authorities like the FAA and the DGAC. We would appreciate if you would see to it that these inaccurate marketing efforts are withdrawn from

the marketplace, and that future CFM marketing efforts remain factually supportable.

ATA and MARPA are committed to playing a positive role in increasing aviation safety. We would welcome an opportunity to enter into a productive dialogue concerning airworthiness and aviation safety with you. If CFM identifies specific PMA parts that cause it concerns, then we would be happy to discuss these situations with you, and to discuss ways to cooperate together to promote ongoing safety improvements.

Very Truly Yours,



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