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Mr. Kevin Gauthier  
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Re: OSC File No. DI-08-1168

Dear Mr. Gauthier:

The Office of Special Counsel has completed its review of the information you referred to the Disclosure Unit. You alleged a violation of law, rule, or regulation and a substantial and specific danger to public safety by employees throughout the aviation industry.

The Special Counsel is authorized to receive disclosures from an employee, former employee, or applicant for employment of the federal government concerning a federal agency. 5 U.S.C. § 1213(a)(1). Because you are not an employee as defined by section 1213, the Office of Special Counsel does not have jurisdiction. Therefore, the Disclosure Unit will take no further action concerning these allegations.

Should you wish to pursue this matter further, you may contact the U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of Inspector General, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Washington, D.C. 20590; hotline number: (800) 424-9071.

Accordingly, we are closing our file. Should you wish to discuss this matter, please contact me at (202) 254-3604.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Catherine A. McMullen".

Catherine A. McMullen  
Chief, Disclosure Unit

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