QUALITY CONTROL REVIEW OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2011 AND 2010

Federal Aviation Administration

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To: The Secretary  
Federal Aviation Administrator

I respectfully submit our report on the quality control review (QCR) of the Federal Aviation Administration’s (FAA) audited financial statements for fiscal years 2011 and 2010.

The audit of FAA’s financial statements as of and for the years ended September 30, 2011, and September 30, 2010, was completed by Clifton Gunderson, LLP under contract to the Office of Inspector General (attached). The contract required the audit be performed in accordance with generally accepted Government auditing standards and Office of Management and Budget Bulletin 07-04, “Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Statements,” as amended.

Clifton Gunderson, LLP concluded that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, FAA’s assets, liabilities, and net position as of September 30, 2011, and September 30, 2010, and net costs, changes in net position, and budgetary resources for the years then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The report did not include any reportable internal control deficiencies or instances of reportable noncompliance with laws and regulations tested.

We performed a QCR of Clifton Gunderson, LLP’s report and related documentation. Our QCR, as differentiated from an audit performed in accordance with generally accepted Government auditing standards, was not intended for us to express, and we do not express, an opinion on FAA’s financial statements or conclusions about the effectiveness of internal controls or compliance with laws.
and regulations. Clifton Gunderson, LLP is responsible for its report dated November 9, 2011, and the conclusions expressed in that report. However, our QCR disclosed no instances in which Clifton Gunderson, LLP did not comply, in all material respects, with generally accepted Government auditing standards. A response to this report is not required since Clifton Gunderson, LLP did not make any recommendations.

We appreciate the cooperation and assistance of FAA representatives, the Office of Financial Management, and Clifton Gunderson, LLP. If we can answer any questions, please call me at x61959, or Lou Dixon, Principal Assistant Inspector General for Auditing and Evaluation, at x61427.

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