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May 14, 2015

The Honorable Michael P. Huerta
Administrator
Federal Aviation Administration
800 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20591

Dear Administrator Huerta:

I write in support of Juneau International Airport's (JNU) Medium-Intensity Approach Lighting System (MALSR) as a strong candidate for funding from the \$3 million provided for the Approach Lighting System Improvement Program (ALSIP) in the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (P.L. 113-235). In addition, I ask for an accounting of how the aforementioned funding has been spent to date.

As you know, there is great need at Alaska airports for this type of funding, including at JNU. The FAA has previously provided \$1 million in ALSIP Facilities and Equipment funding to JNU's 26 MALSR project, which has allowed for partial installation. Already the project has received praise from pilots who are able to land instead of diverting the aircraft in inclement weather.

The 26 MALSR project requires an additional \$3 million to complete. Upon completion, this improved safety system will reach 2400 feet. It will include five additional sets of steady burning lamps and five sequenced flashers at 200 foot intervals. The State of Alaska, recognizing the project's importance, is providing \$93,750 toward the 26 MALSR's completion. Given the critical nature of this project and past federal investment to get the project started, the JNU 26 MALSR should be considered a strong candidate for additional ALSIP funding.

Thank you for providing information on how the FAA is proceeding with the funding provided for the ALSIP and keeping in mind the approach lighting needs of airports in Alaska.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Don Young".

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