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Hon. Chuck Strahl,
Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON
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Honourable Minister:

This will follow-up our letter to you dated December 22, 2011 and three previous letters to your staff on the subject of Alpine Helicopters. A number of other aviation associations representing a broad spectrum of other interests have also recently added their voices to ours on this subject.

The reassessment of Alpine's exemption has been underway since the Fall of last year, while the company continues to enjoy unrestricted access to the Canadian market at the expense of Canadian operators. The company has *already had* five years of access to the Canadian market and they continue to compete with Canadian interests.

This situation is intolerable, and our members continue to contact this association to express their anger and frustration directed at you and at your government. We urge you to bring this exemption to an end as soon as possible and put the company on notice that they must immediately restructure to bring themselves into compliance with Canadian ownership requirements. This must be done without delay, and we sense a growing frustration in the aviation community.

Respectfully, we request a meeting with you personally to discuss this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fred L. Jones", written over a white background.

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