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Don Rumsfeld -

**The attached was
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The Civil Aeronautics Board today announced that it is undertaking a comprehensive analysis of its own regulatory practices for the purpose of implementing significant procedural reforms. The effort includes a careful scrutiny of the Board's procedural regulations and practices and the statutes which govern the Board's procedures.

"The goal is to reform our procedures so that our decisions can be made more quickly and our administrative process will be less costly and complicated."

As an initial step, the Board announced that it will establish the CAB Advisory Committee on Procedural Reforms. A diverse group of individuals from outside government, the Advisory Committee will analyze CAB administrative procedures and make recommendations to the Board for appropriate reforms. The Advisory Committee will work in tandem with members of the CAB staff assigned to the procedural reform project.

The individuals from outside government who have agreed to serve on the Advisory Committee represent a broad spectrum which includes law professors, aviation lawyers, business executives, economists, systems analysts, and representatives of the aviation industry, consumer groups, and shippers. Biographies are attached.

In its announcement the Board stated, "We believe that much of the impatience with regulation and regulatory agencies stems from a dissatisfaction with our procedures. In many cases, this dissatisfaction may well be warranted. We think we should take a tough-minded look at ourselves to see what procedural reforms should be made."

"The Board is serious in its commitment to examine with an open mind and implement where we responsibly can such recommendations

for procedural reform as may emerge from the important effort we are undertaking. We hope that the project will have the support of all those concerned with modernizing the regulatory decision-making process, particularly those whom we regulate and the Congress."

Noting that there is underway at the CAB an independent internal special staff study primarily directed at recommendations for changes in substantive economic regulatory policy, the Board stated that, "To the extent the special staff study does make recommendations in the procedural area, the undertaking announced today will be an important adjunct in evaluating and implementing the work of the internal special staff study."

The CAB Advisory Committee on Procedural Reforms will be governed by the Federal Advisory Committee Act which requires approval by the Office of Management and Budget, and discussions have already been held with OMB officials.

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