



August 24, 2020

G Cooper Towers  
Principal Operation Inspector  
Baltimore Flight Standards District Office  
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Dear Mr. Towers:

This letter is a request for relief per exemption number 18510B from Jetstream (BA-3100) recurrent training and qualification requirements for Check Airman and Instructor Pilot Mr. Edward Cary Ambler, [REDACTED]. His Total Flight Time is 26,947 hours.

Mr. Ambler is currently serving in his late-grace provision as Check Airman and pilot for the Jetstream Type Rated Aircraft. He requires a Part 135.293(a)/(b) Recurrent Checkride. **He will de-qualify on this aircraft on August 31, 2020 unless relief is granted.**

While a request has been made, it seems that due to the COVID-19 pandemic and its significant negative impact on the aviation industry, **no FAA examiner is currently available to observe/complete/sign-off Mr. Ambler's recurrency checkride.**

Mr. Ambler has been actively flying, instructing and administering company checkrides this year despite the pandemic and economic downturn. Although activity is diminished, the company has remained open with pilots staffed. The company continues to uphold its charter operating as a Part 135 On-Demand (Charter) Operation as well as a DOD Approved Air Carrier.

Year to date, Mr. Ambler has flown 251 hours. He has flown 450 hours within the previous twelve months. He has flown 104 hours within the previous ninety days. He attended simulator training for the Falcon 50 aircraft on March 21<sup>st</sup> and May 27<sup>th</sup> of this year. He is actively flying the company approved aircraft consisting of a Falcon 50, Falcon 10, Jetstream and Navaho aircrafts per the FAA approved Part 135 program.

The company has conducted a safety risk assessment per our SMS System and concluded the risk is acceptable with minimal-to-no risk and that the company can continue Normal Operations by the granting of this exemption. (Refer to the company Fixed Wing Flight Risk Assessment Checklist Document – SP018 inserted below).

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The company continues to monitor, assign and train all pilots per our approved training program. Mr. Ambler is a key component to the continued success of the company serving as Pilot, Flight and Ground Instructor as well as Check Airman. It is vital that he be granted relief from Part 135.293(a)/(b) requirements for the Jetstream aircraft via exemption number 18510B. Upon granting the exemption, the company will comply with the intent, conditions and limitations set forth in exemption number 18510B.

Sincerely,  
Bruce Cherven  
Chief Pilot  
East Coast Flight Services