



# Chairman's Message

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Dear Fellow FedEx Pilots,

Now that the FTDT rule is published, we are researching all aspects of the rule. We have been in constant contact with ALPA National President Captain Lee Moak and with IPA President Captain Bob Travis. Obviously, we have a great deal in common with the pilots of IPA in that we both operate as pure cargo carriers. Our Scheduling Committee and FTDT experts are working with the legislative team, legal team, ALPA National, and others to develop the most effective plan moving forward that will ensure the highest probability of success we can achieve for you. The basis of the FAA's decision is completely lacking in moral consistency or common sense. This rule says more about the lack of value our government and industry place on our lives and those of the public than any interest in the safety of our crews, the aircraft we fly or the general public. Each of you know the truth regarding fatigue and your profession. Your families know the truth, and now they know the value your government places on each of us. The FAA knows the truth but chose to give in to industry lobbyists.

Interestingly, the FAA used testimony provided by cargo pilots and research done on cargo pilots as the basis for the new rules for the passenger industry. Apparently, they consider us to be the guinea pigs for studying fatigue. Make no mistake, this is not over, and we are thoroughly researching all options. We appreciate the angst and the anger each of you are experiencing with this, especially during this holiday season. Please keep in mind that this is an ongoing effort that will not be solved in the near term, but one that will take prudent, fact based, intelligent action to see us through to success. Thanks for your support and I hope that all of you have a Merry Christmas and a "safe" New Year!

In Unity,

Captain Scott Stratton  
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