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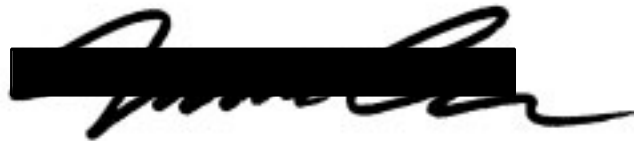
Dear Mr. Conroy:

Delta respectfully submits to the National Transportation Safety Board this report regarding the aircraft accident investigation of Delta Air Lines flight 1288, an MD-88, N927DA, at Pensacola Regional Airport, Florida, on July 6, 1996. This submittal represents our analyses, findings, and recommendations derived from data developed during the investigation, as well as from other authoritative sources. Information from this report should provide a solid basis for development of NTSB final recommendations designed at precluding this type of accident from occurring again.

At the time of this submission, we are informed that an addendum to the Metallurgist's Factual Report is probable. Delta therefore reserves the right to amend this report accordingly.

Please feel free to contact our Delta Coordinator should you desire further expansion of any concepts developed in this report.

Thank you in advance for your serious consideration.



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