

Attachment 20

**Operational Factors and Human Performance
Group Chairman's Factual Report**

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**Avjet Response to Interview
Conducted with FAA POI**



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REF: DCA01MS034

June 25, 2001

Dear Captain Kirchgessner;

This is my response to an issue raised in Inspector George Demartini's interview in this accident investigation.

Inspector Demartini (Page 21, Paragraph 7) raises the **subject of Part 142 vendor audits** as required by a FAA handbook bulletin. This is my **version of this issue**.

In early December, 2000, I was **scheduling the audits of Avjet's Part 142 Contract Training providers**. Also, **at that time**, I had a **personal emergency** situation arise that required my presence at home each evening. My **wife's health** and life depended on my presence. This situation would be in effect for **three to four months**.

I contacted Inspector Demartini by telephone and **gave him the full details** of this situation. Inspector Demartini **at that time** gave me **verbal permission** to take all the time that I needed to complete the audits.

Sincerely;

Kenneth R. Seals
Director of Operations