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## RAA Responds to DOT Tarmac Delay Rule

The Regional Airline Association (RAA) today filed comments in response to the Department of Transportation's (DOT) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing the adoption of additional regulations that intend to improve passenger protections in air travel.

"Providing an outstanding travel experience for our valued customers is a goal RAA shares with its member airlines, the Department of Transportation, and other aviation stakeholders," said RAA Vice President-Legislative Affairs Faye Malarkey Black. Black continued: "We urge DOT to reconsider its proposed rule, however, to reduce the possibility of causing unintended confusion or inconvenience to the traveling public, particularly those passengers traveling to or from the 75 percent of our nation's airports that rely on regional airlines, exclusively, for scheduled air service."

Click [here](#) to read RAA's comments.

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*With safety as its highest priority, RAA represents North American regional airlines, and the manufacturers of products and services supporting the regional airline industry, before the Congress, DOT, FAA and other federal agencies.*

*With more than 13,000 regional airline flights every day, regional airlines operate 53 percent of the nation's commercial schedule. Some 160 million passengers annually -- more than one of every five domestic airline passengers -- travel on regionals, and the more than 2,700 regional aircraft comprise about nearly 40 percent of the US commercial passenger fleet. Most notably, regional airlines serve 631 communities across the country and in 492 of those communities -- 75 percent of the US -- regional airlines provide the only scheduled service.*

*Founded in 1975, Washington, DC-based RAA also provides a wide array of technical, government relations and public relations services for regional airlines. The association's 30 member airlines and 230 associate members represent the key decision makers of this vital sector of the commercial aviation industry.*

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