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Aviation Group Client Update

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FAA MANAGEMENT OF CIVIL AIRCRAFT REGISTRY IS AUDITED.

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) initiated an <u>audit</u> of the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) management of the Civil Aviation Registry in February 2018.

Background. The FAA manages the Civil Aviation Registry to process and maintain ownership registrations for aircraft and issue airmen certificates to qualified pilots, mechanics, and other airmen. The OIG assessed the FAA's management of the Registry after the Chairmen of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and its Subcommittee on Aviation as well as the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation expressed concerns with oversight issues and requested assessment of the FAA's overall management of the Registry and public access to certain Registry elements.

Summary. The OIG's objective is to assess FAA's management of the Civil Aviation Registry and FAA's (1) controls over the accuracy and completeness of Registry information and compliance with Federal law and (2) policies for providing public access to Registry-related activities. The OIG had also performed audits on the FAA's management of the Registry back in 2013 and 2014 and found that the registry lacked accurate and complete information regarding pilots and U.S. registered aircrafts including those operated under trusts.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Shelley Ewalt.

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