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March 1, 2024

Mr. Michael Whitaker  
FAA Administrator  
Federal Aviation Administration  
800 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20591

Dear Mr. Whitaker,

The City of Livermore is writing to you in support of the Eliminate Aviation Gasoline Leaded Emissions or the EAGLE Initiative.

First and foremost, the City of Livermore is home to the Livermore Airport (LVK), a General Aviation Reliever located in the greater San Francisco Bay Area. Formally established in 1953, the airport is currently one of the busiest airports in the state and nation with 181,176 operations in 2023, selling a combined total of more than 900,000 gallons of fuel per year. The airport serves the TriValley area of more than 300,000 residents and is a key asset to the community, providing key industry leaders with access, multiple avenues for pilot certification, a large active flying community, and critical emergency services for the area.

As we are sure you are aware, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has made an endangerment finding for lead emissions, especially as it relates to the use of leaded aviation fuel in that there is no safe level of lead in the human body. This has been shown to be especially prevalent with respect to our youth, of whom lead has the most dangerous effect during their formative years.

The City, facing its own pressures to convert aviation fuel usage to unleaded aviation fuel, cannot stress enough the importance of the work being conducted with the EAGLE initiative. The City of Livermore has recently taken steps to require the provision of unleaded aviation fuel on the airfield that is currently readily available as well as positioning itself to be ready to receive a drop in ready fuel that accommodates the entire piston engine fleet mix when it is first available.

To remain compliant with Federal Aviation grant assurances, the city will continue to provide leaded aviation fuel but looks forward to the day where leaded fuel may be safely transitioned out of use.

The city, in combination with the surrounding cities and communities encourage the FAA and industry partners to continue working towards a safe and viable alternative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Marchand". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and a long, sweeping underline.

Mayor, City of Livermore