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**NTSB safety recommendation to FAA
re: several Alaska aircraft vendors:**

Dear researchers,

Please be advised of a recent safety recommendation issued by the National Transportation Safety Board to the Federal Aviation Administration regarding several aircraft operators in Alaska as a result of recent incidents, many involving fatalities <http://www.ntsbgov.gov/news/2014/140501.html>. These carriers, owned by parent company HoTH, are rebranded as Ravn Alaska and include Hageland Aviation, Frontier Flying Service and ERA Alaska. I want to make sure that program participants are aware of these issues when selecting a commercial air carrier. Consider reviewing this situation with your institution's risk department and sharing this information with others. You may contact the arctic logistics contractor CH2M Hill Polar Service for more information or suggestions for other vendors or charter services by emailing alaska@polarfield.com.

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