AIRPORT COMMISSION

TOWN OF CHATHAM
549 MAIN STREET
CHATHAM, MASSACHUSETTS 02633

April 11, 2013

Skydive Cape Cod, Inc.
240 George Ryder Rd.
Chatham, MA 02633

Re: Operational Mitigation Practices/
Sub Management Agreement - Section 7

Dear Skydive Cape Cod,

With the imminent start of the skydiving operations, the Chatham Airport Commission wants to take this opportunity to reiterate the operational parameters agreed upon last season with the concurrence of the Airport Manager to help mitigate various concerns raised by members of the public as we move into a new season including:

- On aircraft departure/takeoff, climb straight out on runway heading until an altitude of 1,000 ft. MSL is reached to keep direct over-flight and noise of the aircraft away from neighbors on either side of the runway.

- All aircraft should climb to altitude out over the water and not over the Town of Chatham

- On aircraft departure, skydive aircraft are using reduced throttle settings to minimize prop noise during climb-out.

- On aircraft arrival, fly a standard left traffic pattern. With Runway 24 approach , make the base to final approach turn outside / NE of the twin water towers to address the concerns of the Great Hill area residents of increased over-flights of their neighborhood.

- Request skydive customers to avoid use of any offensive language during parachute jumping and landing.

The Commission's expectation is that you will continue to implement these practices for the upcoming season as well. It is recognized that the following these practices will help mitigate the potential impacts of your operation on the citizens and visitors to Chatham.

Additionally, as a result of three off-airport landings of parachute jumpers experienced during operations in past seasons, the Chatham Airport Commission has identified the need for reporting any such future incidents, as soon as possible to the Airport Manager and the Commission for review. The Commission is concerned with the potential adverse effects to public safety with such occurrences.

As you are aware, Section 7 of your Sub Management Agreement states that the "Chatham Airport Commission reserves the right to terminate any skydiving activities and void this agreement should unsafe operations or practices be observed." Given your relationship with the Town and the Airport, the Commission is not presently opting to terminate the agreement with Skydive Cape Cod. However, please be advised that, should any further incidents occur, the Airport Commission may be compelled to enforce all of its rights under the Agreement.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Hunter
Chairman
Chatham Airport Commission

cc: Chatham Board of Selectmen
Jill Goldsmith, Town Manager
Jay Talerman, Esq. - Town Counsel
Tim Howard, Airport Manager/Fixed Base Operator (FBO)