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About five years ago we wrote you the attached letter and have had no response. On April 16, 2019 at our regular meeting a large group of concerned citizens from the Ayer and Groton communities, including State Rep. Sheila Harrington, complained that the problems we described in our letter from March, 16 2015 have not been addressed and are ongoing. We would appreciate having your answers to the following questions available before we discuss this issue again on June 18, 2019.

Specifically:

1. What actions or decisions have you taken regarding many years of complaints from citizens of Ayer and Groton regarding what they view as "negligent operation" of aircraft over their town?
2. What local or state regulatory agency is responsible for allegations of improper and bothersome aircraft operation?
3. Does Massport have authority to require operators of aircraft to limit their impact on residents in the area as a condition of their lease?

The Hanscom Field Advisory Commission is not setup to be a judicial or regulatory entity; our function is to communicate and advise members of the public, Hanscom Airport management and Massport. We are not in a position to investigate or determine if the alleged instances of improper aircraft operation actually constitute violations of statute or regulation. Our goal is to learn what courses of action are available and advise the interested parties how to proceed in order to address their concerns.

Respectfully,

Hanscom Field Airport Commission

Christopher Eliot

Handwritten signature of Christopher Eliot in blue ink, written over a horizontal line.