

As a small remote northern airport, I want to register my opposition to the CTA's attempt to "regulate" one element of the domestic air transportation industry in Canada, the Indirect Air Service Provider. Our community relies heavily on air service for its well-being and business connections. At the moment we are served by one carrier with an average one way price of a ticket between Prince Rupert and Vancouver of \$400. Down the road in Terrace where there are competing air carriers, the average price of a ROUND TRIP ticket is now approximately \$300, although often offered below this price. We are wholly opposed to the CTA's attempt to stymie the birth of new aviation services of the Ultra-Low Cost Carrier model by imposing rules, outside of its authority, on Indirect Air Service Providers like New leaf. This new entrepreneur and its model, the latter of which was in the Minister's horizon when he deregulated the industry 30 years ago, can only benefit communities like ours who are at the mercy of the Legacy carriers, who no doubt see this new model as threat to their precious yields.

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