

## Statement on Today's Accident at Teterboro Airport

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### Congressman Steve Rothman's Statement on Today's Accident at Teterboro Airport

This afternoon, a jet landing at Teterboro Airport during high wind conditions skidded off the runway and became stuck in mud. The accident caused major air traffic delays throughout the entire New York metropolitan air space. Three passengers aboard the Motorola Corporation-owned jet have not been reported injured. Congressman Steve Rothman's statement follows:

"Today's accident is yet another example of what happens when you have a large volume of flights coming into a small airport. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) must understand that the more flights you have, the more you gamble with people's safety. That's why I have been pushing - and will continue to push - for at least a 25% reduction in the number of flights coming in and out of Teterboro Airport.

"The time has come for the FAA to allow the New York and New Jersey Port Authority (PA) to make the changes the PA wants to make to reduce the number of flights at Teterboro. In fact, next week FAA Administrator Marian Blakey will testify before my Committee about her agency's budget and I intend to continue to press her on this subject."

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