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VIA EMAIL

Mr. Edward M. Christie III
President and Chief Executive Officer
Spirit Airlines, Inc.
2800 Executive Way
Miramar, Florida 33025

Dear Mr. Christie:

On November 19, 2023, the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations (“PSI” or “Subcommittee”) requested information and records from Spirit Airlines (“Spirit”) as part of an inquiry into how fees imposed on goods and services affect American consumers, including how airlines charge fees for specific options and services apart from the advertised price of airfare (“ancillary fees”). PSI’s request sought eight categories of information and records related to Spirit’s ancillary fees and asked that responsive materials be produced by December 11, 2023. In the nearly four months that have elapsed since, the overall pace and sufficiency of productions from Spirit in response to PSI’s requests have fallen below the Subcommittee’s expectations and raise serious questions about Spirit’s willingness to cooperate with the Subcommittee’s inquiry on a voluntary basis.

I write to inform you that the Subcommittee expects Spirit’s full and timely response to the requests detailed in my November 19 letter. Unless Spirit provides the outstanding information and records by April 2, 2024, the Subcommittee will have no choice but to consider alternate means to obtain the information needed to conduct its inquiry. In addition, to assist the Subcommittee’s understanding of how Spirit implements and discloses ancillary fees, please make Spirit’s Chief Commercial Officer available for a transcribed interview with Subcommittee staff by no later than April 26, 2024.

Sincerely,



Richard Blumenthal
Chairman
Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

cc: The Honorable Ron Johnson
Ranking Member