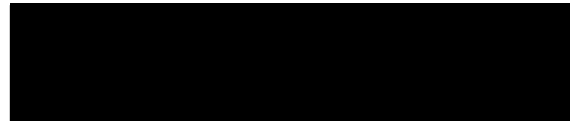




U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Aviation
Administration**

July 24, 2017

Dr. R. John Hansman, Ph.D.
Chairman, Research, Engineering and Development
Advisory Committee (REDAC)



Dear Dr. Hansman:

Recently, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) released the enclosed Cyber Security Research and Development Plan. The plan was prepared pursuant to Public Law 114-190/Section 2111(e) which required that the FAA Administrator "establish a cybersecurity research and development plan for the national airspace system". It reflects input from stakeholders across the agency and the approval of the FAA Cyber Security Steering Committee (CSC).

In order to record industry perspectives and further refine and prioritize the research requirements specified in it, I am requesting that the REDAC conduct a review of the plan and advise the FAA regarding its content. The enclosed tasking statement provides additional guidance. I am requesting that the committee complete the review and provide comments to the FAA by the fall meeting of the full committee.

As always, I am available to discuss this request further at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shelley Yak".

Shelley Yak
Designated Federal Official

Enclosure