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Research, Engineering and Development Advisory Committee (REDAC)

Sub-Committee Workbook for:

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General Instructions

In the context of your REDAC subcommittee:

- Review the list of research drivers on the following page and identify any missing items that you feel are relevant. Blank pages are provided in the back of the workbook for the Subcommittee to include these additional drivers.
- Using the list of research drivers on the following page, identify the ones that are relevant to your Subcommittee.
- Then, using the attached sheets (one for each research driver that you've identified), please provide feedback on the following:

    a. Identify the characteristics or individual components of each driver and the timeframe to maturity.

    b. Identify if the driver presents challenges that the FAA should pay attention to.

    c. Identify entities (academia, government or industry) that are currently conducting work related to this driver.

    Provide any additional context that you believe is relevant.

Research Drivers

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Research Driver

1	Supersonic Flight

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2	Urban Air Mobility

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3	Growth of Mixed Operations (Piloted, Autonomous, Unmanned)

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4	New Mission Types

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5	Non-Traditional NAS Access Points

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6	Space Operations

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7	Enable Routine Small UAS Operations Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS)

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8	Autonomous ground service equipment at airports

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9	Aircraft Command and Control Using Automation and Remote Sensing Technology

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10	New Vehicles or their Components Which Make Use of New Technologies, Software, or Materials

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11	Certification using New Technologies, Standards, or Processes

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12	Remote/Virtual Technologies

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