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Julius P. Knapp Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology– Federal Communications commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear Mr. Knapp,

On behalf of Headquarters, Air Force, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, Future Operations Directorate, (AF/A3X), this is to notify the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) that my office, Military and Civilian Aviation Integration Division (AF/A3XJ) has reviewed Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway (BNSF) Company's application for modification of the license identified by call sign W12XPN (the "license"). Specifically, BNSF has requested to add frequency 120.4 MHz (Cannon Air Force Base (CAFB) Air Traffic Control Tower) and 127.75 MHz (CAFB Radar Approach Control) to the license at the Clovis, New Mexico location.

AF/A3XJ fully supports BNSF's request to add frequency 120.4 MHz and 127.75 MHz to the license. AF/A3XJ understands BNSF will operate the modified license to promote safe and effective unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) flight operations in connection with efforts to explore the use of UAVs in safeguarding the safety and security of railroad rights-of-way and infrastructure. The license is expected to be a significant tool to notify other aircraft of the presence of UAV flight, communicate with CAFB air traffic control, and to ensure flight operation areas do not present a hazard to air navigation.

If there are any questions, please contact me at (703) 693-4427.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Military and Civilian Aviation Integration Division