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Ms. Patricia G. Smith
Associate Administrator for
Commercial Space Transportation
800 Independent Ave, S.W. Room 331
Washington D.C. 20591

Dear ~~Ms. Smith:~~ Patti

The Boeing Company is pleased to support the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) independent economic assessment on the cost impacts of the Second Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SSNPRM) for FAA licensing and safety requirements for launch. Your primary contact within Boeing will be Ms. Kris Walsh, Director of NASA & Commercial Programs, Delta. Ms. Walsh can be reached at (714) 896-4320.

Boeing is pleased to provide information to the FAA economic assessment team for our Delta II launch vehicle. Since Boeing has suspended commercial marketing of the Delta IV for the near term due to the current downturn in the commercial satellite market, we will not be providing data on our Delta IV family of vehicles. In addition, Boeing no longer offers Delta III launch services for commercial or government customers so there is no need to add this system to your database.

Boeing understands and appreciates the contractual protection of confidential and proprietary data between the FAA and SAIC. In future discussions Ms. Walsh will determine if additional agreements between The Boeing Company, SAIC and RFF are required. Additionally, Ms. Walsh will be responsible for assuring that all Boeing data is appropriately marked.

Boeing appreciates this opportunity to support the FAA AST in the SSNPRM activity and we look forward to an open and frank discussion of the issues related to commercial launch licensing requirements.

Best regards,

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