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Small UAV Coalition Marks UAS Integration Pilot Program Milestone

Lead Applicants to Register Notices of Intent to Participate by Today's Deadline

WASHINGTON, DC – November 28, 2017 – The Small UAV Coalition is pleased to mark the first milestone of the [UAS Integration Pilot Program](#) since it was announced in the Federal Register, with potential Lead Applicants – state, local, and tribal entities – submitting Notices of Intent to participate in the program by 2:00 pm ET today. Today's deadline is another step towards implementing a data-driven pilot program that will enable expanded operations, including those beyond the visual line of sight, over people, and carrying property, as well as inform future UAS rulemakings. The Coalition is also encouraged to see overwhelming interest from both public and private entities, over 1,600 of which have opted to be included on the Interested Parties list as of November 27.

Many Coalition members are actively working with jurisdictions across the country to develop proposals that promise to deliver innovative UAS-powered solutions to communities of all sizes. The projects selected by the Department of Transportation will demonstrate the immense economic, consumer, and humanitarian potential of UAS technology and the Coalition and its members look forward to continuing to contribute to the development of a forward-leaning regulatory framework that will accelerate safe and secure UAS integration through the pilot program.

The next pilot program deadline is December 13 at 2:00 pm ET, by which Lead Applicants must complete Volumes I and II of their proposals in the application portal and other entities can request inclusion on the Interested Parties list.

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