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Mr. Edmund M. "Ted" Sexton  
 Assistant Secretary, State and Local Law Enforcement  
 Department of Homeland Security  
 1315 Independence Avenue S/E, #7  
 Washington, DC 20003

Dear Assistant Secretary Sexton:

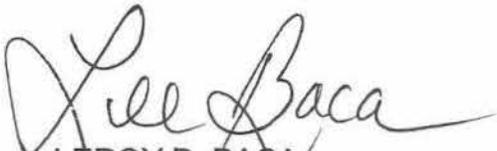
Thank you for your continuing work at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) on behalf of local and state law enforcement agencies. I appreciate the opportunity we have had to work together on matters of mutual concern.

The purpose of this letter is to reaffirm my interest in using unmanned aircraft systems to further the public safety capabilities of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. As you know, the adoption of revised enabling regulations by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has been a prolonged process, and I appreciate your efforts in moving this process along.

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) of my staff continues to work with Dr. John Appleby from DHS to obtain approval for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to serve as an evaluation site for the FAA's revised regulations. This is in relation to law enforcement's use of small unmanned aircraft systems within the national airspace system. This letter reaffirms our continuing interest in partnering with the Federal government to further this effort.

Should you or your staff need to contact (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) he can be reached at (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) or by email at (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Sincerely,

  
 LEROY D. BACA  
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