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Dear Ms. Donohue and Messrs. Brenke, Bukoski, Gilmartin:

This letter supersedes the letter of August 4, 2016, regarding the use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Operations within properties of the State, including MDOT Rights-of-Way (ROW).

This past July, Governor Snyder appointed members to the new Unmanned Aircraft Systems Task Force. The 27-member task force was created to develop statewide policy recommendations on the operation, use, and regulation of unmanned aircraft systems in the state.

While the Task Force works to fulfill its charge, use of unmanned aircraft within MDOT ROW is permitted so long as the operator of the UAV is licensed, insured, and complies with any and all Federal and State of Michigan laws, rules, and/or regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact either me or Steve Cook, Engineer of Operations and Maintenance, at 517-636-4094 or cooks9@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

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