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Stacey Zee, FAA Environmental Specialist  
c/o ICF  
9300 Lee Hwy.  
Fairfax, VA 22031

Re: Spaceport Colorado Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment and Spaceport Facility License

Dear Ms. Zee:

I would like to present my strong endorsement for the Front Range Airport's application for a spaceport facility license, and specifically for approval of the Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) currently under review.

As a leading aerospace state, with a vibrant aerospace economy, Colorado needs this spaceport to offer our commercial aerospace industry every option to remain competitive and cutting-edge. The Metro Denver area has universities, medical institutions, and satellite manufacturers who want access to sub-orbital, microgravity space for research and launch opportunities. In contrast to remotely located spaceports, Spaceport Colorado is accessible to more than 450 aerospace companies here in the state, and to thousands more around the world through connections at Denver International Airport.

It is the Colorado's Office of Economic Development understanding of the Draft PEA is that the spaceport's future operations, with the use of the Type X vehicle, are compatible with operations at Denver International Airport and its carriers. Although we know that future take-off and landings of horizontal, reusable space planes may be years away, the opportunity to spark the development of an aerospace and technology park at Spaceport Colorado is economically beneficial to all our communities. When the FAA certifies flight operators that are suitable for Spaceport Colorado, we want to be ready to accommodate them.

Thank you for your support of Spaceport Colorado!

Respectfully,

Jay Lindell

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