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The Honorable Sam Graves
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Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
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Dear Chairman Graves:

Leidos strongly supports your inclusion of significant funding to modernize our nation's outdated air traffic control (ATC) system in upcoming reconciliation legislation. This downpayment will play a crucial role in realizing President Trump's and Secretary Duffy's vision for a world-class ATC system. And, without question, these investments will make air travel even safer, further improve the security and efficiency of the National Airspace System, and ultimately save hundreds of millions of dollars per year.

The company also commends your ongoing efforts to take a hard look at the way the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) invests in and modernizes our nation's ATC system. As you wisely noted at a recent hearing in March, it is incumbent upon Congress to build on the provisions in the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2024 that require the FAA to develop plans to accelerate the replacement of legacy systems. Operational and procurement reforms are needed to fix the FAA's unsustainable operating model that too often wastes taxpayer resources on outdated systems and facilities, over-relies on staffing, and slows the incorporation of more efficient technologies or the consolidation of existing systems through process-driven complexity. These changes will unshackle the FAA and allow the Trump Administration to bring in more automation and state-of-the-art technologies that will improve safety, decrease costs, and deliver timely, data-driven solutions.

Leidos remains steadfast in its commitment to work with you and the Trump Administration to reimagine our nation's ATC system and strengthen America's leadership in aviation. Please never hesitate to let me know how Leidos can be most helpful in that endeavor.

Sincerely,

Ms. Amy Smith Senior Vice President Government Affairs