



**SMALL UAV
COALITION**
*A Partnership for
Safety & Innovation*

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Ranking Member Bob Latta
House Energy and Commerce Committee
Subcommittee on Communications and Technology
United States House of Representatives
2467 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ranking Member Latta:

The Small UAV Coalition writes to convey its support for H.R. 6943, the Advancing Unmanned Delivery Services Act. Over the last five years, Coalition companies have been working with Congress, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the National Aeronautic and Space Administration (NASA), and other agencies and international organizations and governments to expedite the development and safe deployment of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS or drones) across a range of industry segments, including delivery services. This legislation can help further the ongoing dialogue between industry and government that will help build on existing successes and identify challenges that will need to be overcome in order to ensure that consumers and the economy benefit from the immense potential of UAS delivery services.

In particular, the Small UAV Coalition appreciates your leadership as it is now more apparent than ever that unmanned delivery services, whether via autonomous vehicles, drones, or robotics, are necessary to ensure sound health policy and continued access to food, medicines, and other critical supplies during times of crisis. Additionally, the Coalition supports the call for the Department of Commerce to survey other countries' efforts and strategies for promoting unmanned delivery services. Understanding what is taking place internationally can help harmonize regulations to lower regulatory costs as companies look to build out services.

These and other provisions in the legislation merit Congressional consideration. The Small UAV Coalition looks forward to working with you and the Committee as this bill moves forward and thanks you for your leadership.

Sincerely,

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