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Ms. JoAnn Noonan, FOIA Coordinator  
Federal Aviation Administration  
National Freedom of Information Act Staff, ARC-40  
800 Independence Ave, SW  
Washington, DC 20591

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Ms. Noonan,

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552). I request that copies of the following records be provided to me:

1. Any and all records related to certificate of operation 2012-CSA-65-COA issued to the Minnesota Army National Guard to operate drone (UAV) aircraft. Such records may include, but are not limited to, records related to the application for 2012-CSA-65-COA, and records regarding UAV activities conducted under the same;
2. Any and all records related to certificate of operation 2012-CSA-74-COA issued to the University of North Dakota to operate UAV aircraft. Such records may include, but are not limited to, records related to the application for 2012-CSA-74-COA, and records regarding UAV activities conducted under the same;
3. Any and all records related to certificates of operation (COA) issued to the United States Customs and Border Patrol to operate UAV aircraft within the state of Minnesota. Such records may include, but are not limited to, records related to the application for any COAs, and records regarding UAV activities conducted under the same.

In order to help you determine my status for the purpose of assessing fees, you should know that this request is made as part of news gathering, and is not for commercial use. Responsive files will be shared with researchers, journalists, and the public, and will not

be licensed for profit.

I am seeking a waiver of fees for this request, since the public dissemination of the requested materials will aid the public's understanding of your agency's role in regulating the use of UAVs within domestic airspace.

If my fee waiver is denied, I am willing to pay fees of up to \$100.00 without prior notice. If fees are estimated to exceed this amount, please notify me first. If this request is denied in whole or in part, please notify me of the legal basis for the denial, as well as all appeals procedures available under law.

I can be contacted at 651-335-2037 or [info@publicrecordmedia.com](mailto:info@publicrecordmedia.com) if you need to discuss any aspect of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matt Ehling', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

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President, Public Record Media