

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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Administrator Blakey
Federal Aviation Administration
800 Independence Ave., SW
Washington, DC 20591

Dear Administrator Blakey:

We are writing to commend you and your agency for the use of a competitive selection process for the procurement of air traffic control displays for the ASDE-X program and to encourage the continued use of competitive selection as you move forward with modernization efforts.

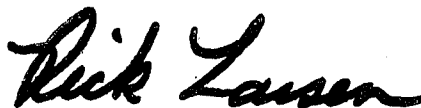
With regard to the selection of air traffic control displays, it is our understanding that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) ASDE-X program staff and members of the National Air Traffic Controllers Association evaluated the Korry Electronics HPM 2130 Air Traffic Control Display against other competitive displays and deemed the HPM 2130 the most effective option, finding it to be technically superior and meeting all engineering requirements. This being the case, we are pleased that the FAA has chosen the HPM 2130 in its initial procurement, and want to ensure that Korry Electronics continues to be granted opportunities to compete in a fair and open manner for additional orders under both the ASDE-X and STARS programs.

Thank you again for your work to modernize our air traffic control systems and for using competitive bidding practices in the selection of technologies which deliver the best solutions at cost effective prices.

Very truly yours



JAMES H. INSLEE
Member of Congress



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