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## RE: FEEDBACK TO CARSON'S VIRTUAL DRONE POLICY WORKSHOP

Dear Ms. Kulcsar:

Shell would like to thank you for the opportunity to participate in the City of Carson's Virtual Drone Policy Workshop held December 11, 2023. Shell appreciates the City's proactive approach to solicit feedback from community members prior to finalizing this Policy.

The Shell Carson Distribution Facility is located at 20945 S. Wilmington Ave in Carson. The Facility is a heavily regulated petroleum and renewable fuels storage/distribution facility. Due to the site's safety and security requirements, Shell requests the Facility be deemed as Restricted Facility – ie no unauthorized person shall be able to fly drones over the Facility.

Shell also requests to be deemed as authorized to fly drones over the Facility for its own purposes and to comply with regulatory requirements. Shell would only use competent and vetted commercial operators who meet/exceed both US regulatory requirements as well as rigorous internal Shell requirements. Additionally, Shell will have their commercial operators meet and maintain any necessary City qualifications required for this authorization.

Lastly, Shell would like to understand the City's enforcement strategy for Policy compliance, and if the City intends to implement a drone detection service? If so, would that service be open to community members to aid with compliance to the Drone Policy?

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide feedback. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions regarding these requests.

Sincerely,

**Bob Dicks**