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Mr. Denny Schneider, Chairman  
LAX Community Noise Roundtable  
& Mr. Geoff Thompson, Chairman  
Ad Hoc Committee  
1 World Way  
Los Angeles, CA 92216

Dear Messer's Schneider and Thompson:

Thank you for your letter addressed to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Acting Administrator, Dan Elwell, on behalf of the LAX Community Roundtable, regarding concerns about Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) departures and jet overflights across the Palos Verdes Peninsula.

We are committed to continue working with you and the LAX Community Roundtable to address a wide range of noise concerns. For example, an FAA team continues to attend the LAX Community Noise Roundtable's Ad Hoc Subcommittee to discuss variations of altitudes on the north downwind and provide analysis. We will also continue to explore and consider the concerns with the Palos Verdes Peninsula, as well as other areas within the Southern California Region.

Additionally, the FAA remains committed to continue working with city and community groups such as LAWA, the LAX Community Roundtable and the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on a regular basis. We have received a similar request for a Point-of-Contact from Los Angeles World Airports Chief Executive Officer, Deborah Flint. During these meetings, items of concern can be discussed and addressed on an in-person basis.

On August 31, 2016, the FAA completed the Final EA for the SoCal Metroplex Project and signed the final SoCal Metroplex decision (FONSI/ROD). On September 2, 2016, the FAA issued the notice of availability of the EA and FONSI/ROD through the Federal Register. The notice was also published in major newspapers in both English and Spanish, published on-line and announced through email notification. Notices were sent to federal and state agencies, local elected officials, study airports and libraries. The administrative process is closed. As a legal matter, the FAA's decision became final on September 2, 2016, and will not be revisited.

Thank you for this opportunity to review and respond to your concerns. Our mission is to provide the safest, most efficient aerospace system in the world. We will continually strive to improve the safety and efficiency of flight in this country. If we can be of further assistance, please contact our office, at (424) 405-7000.

Sincerely,

Dennis E. Roberts  
Regional Administrator