



June 26, 2018

The Honorable Lamar Smith  
Chairman  
Committee on Science, Space and Technology  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2321 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Smith,

Bigelow Aerospace (BA) and Bigelow Space Operations (BSO) applaud your efforts on the *American Space Situational Awareness and Framework for Entity Management Act (American Space SAFE Management Act)*. Thank you for continuing to work with the commercial industry on important issues that are vital to a successful space future.

BA and BSO are genuinely dedicated to facilitating commercial human spaceflight in low Earth orbit on commercial space stations. It is desperately necessary that there is a reliable cadence to access commercial platforms. Department of Commerce is appropriately suited to take responsibility of Space Situational Awareness services.

As this nascent industry takes shape, legislation and policy that are supportive of commercial activities are critical to its survival. The significance of space activities is higher than ever before, and ensuring the safety, sustainability and stability of U.S. space operations is of the utmost importance.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Bigelow".

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