Workshop on eVTOL Defining Challenges for Urban Air Mobility: System Safety, Infrastructure and Airspace Management

Day 1 – Tues, Sept. 10 – Infrastructure		
Organizers: Rex Alexander		
0700 - 0800	Registration Opens	
0800 – 0900	Welcome and Introductions Mike Hirschberg, Vertical Flight Society Mel Johnson, Federal Aviation Administration	
	Today's Heliports – baseline	
0900 – 1000	What is the state of heliports today – building requirements, certification, operation, etc.? The session will include case studies of recent experiences. Rex Alexander, Five-Alpha Bill Goodwin, Skyryse	
1000 - 1030	Networking Break	
1000 - 1030	Vertinorts Design Requirements	
	What are the baseline requirements for Vertiports? We will examine the standards, codes, and policy requirements to ensure these new structures will meet the needs for the safe operations of Urban Air Mobility	
	Local Policy Consideration for Vertiports	
1030 – 1100	Anna Dietrich, AMD Consulting	
	Yolanka Wulff, Community Air Mobility Initiative (CAMI)	
	eVTOL Ground Infrastructure	
1100 1120	Standardization and Interoperability	
1100 - 1130	Arturo Garcia-Alonso, Airport Intelligence	
	Darrell Swanson, Swanson Aviation Consultancy Ltd.	
1130 - 1200	Vertiport Building Code	
	Rex Alexander, Five-Alpha	
1200 - 1220	Lunch	
1200 - 1330	Lunch Vortinort Porformanco	
	As the Vertiport landscape develops, the operational aspects of the facilities will	
	require some very out-of-the-ordinary infrastructure to be effective. Clear lines of	
	sight for approach/departure, fire protection systems for both aviation fuel and high-	
	density batteries, a significant amount of electrical power, security screening	
	facilities, evacuation routes, and, for some facilities, maintenance and repair	
	facilties.	
1330 - 1350	Geo-Coding the Future of Urban Air Mobility	
1000 - 1000	Michael Dyment, NEXA Advisors	
1350 - 1410	Vertiport Electrical Requirements	
	Teresa Peterson, Gannett Fleming	
1410 – 1430	Powered for Take-Off: Preparing for High-Powered Charging	
	Jamare Bates, Black & Veatch	
1430 – 1450	Uper's Perspectives of Intrastructure	
1500 - 1520	Networking Break	
1500 - 1550	Operations	
	Safe operation is an aviation hallmark. This session will explore issues that are	
	outside of the system, such as non-tracked traffic hazards. localized weather, and	

communicating these hazards to the rest of the traffic in the system.

1530 – 1600 Operations Safety: Automating Hazard Detection, Assessment and Mitigation Nikunj Oza, NASA

Weather operations & micro-climate – a fireside chat 1600 – 1640 Colleen Reiche / Joel Siegel, Booz Allen Hamilton Matthias Steiner, National Center of Atmospheric Research

1640 – 1700 **GAMA Activities**

Christine DeJong, General Aviation Manufacturers Association (GAMA)

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Day 2 - Wed., Sept. 11 – Air Traffic System Safety / Acoustics		
Organizers: John Koelling / Misty Davies		
0700 – 0800	Registration Opens	
0800 – 0830	Welcome and Introductions	
	John Koelling, NASA	
	Today's Air Traffic Control	
	How is low altitude air traffic managed today? What are the current procedures for	
0830 – 1000	safe flight in low altitudes, and what improvements can be made today.	
	Chris Baur, Hughes Aerospace	
1000 - 1030	Networking Break	
1000 - 1000	Defining the Airspace	
	As the UAM / eVTOL industry will be flying a much lower levels than commercial	
	air traffic, it will need to define a modern air traffic management system. NASA has	
	commenced the UAM Grand Challenge to encourage new solutions to the	
	anticipated problem. As there are many aspects to defining the airspace, we will	
	management system	
1030 – 1100	Starr Gipp, NASA	
	Star Sinn, NASA	
	Lossons Loarnod from UAS Traffic Management	
1100 – 1130	Marcus Johnson, NASA	
1130 – 1200	Research Topics on UAM Airspace Management and Integration	
	Jen Maddalon, NASA	
1200 - 1330	Lunch	
	eVTOL / UAM Challenges	
	In defining the challenges for eVTOL and UAM, we need to look beyond just the	
	immediate challenges at a subsystem level. We need to look at the development of	
	the ecosystem and understand issues that will enable growth of the industry as a whole e.g. having a proper traffic management system that incorporates LIAM and	
	UAS. a well-defined regulatory framework. and vehicles that incorporate effective	
	propulsion systems, detect and avoid systems, and ultimately technologies leading	
	to autonomous operations.	
1330 - 1500	eVTOL / UAM Challenges Panel Discussion	
1000 - 1000	Moderator: Ajay Sehgal, KBR	
	CAA/FAA Regulations/AV Certification/Autonomy (Anna Dietrich) Technology – Propulsion Systems (Tem Gunnarson)	
	Traffic Management – Remote ID/UTM (Phil Kenul)	
	Detect and Avoid (Andy Thurling)	
	Aerospace Personnel Certification (Rick Ochs)	
1500 – 1530	Networking Break	
	To ensure that the industry effectively attracts users (riders/passengers), common	
	issues with the current industry must be addressed, such as noise mitigation and	

the uncomfortable passenger compartment.

1530 – 1550 Uber's Perspectives on Acoustics Mark Moore, Uber Elevate

1550 – 1610 eVTOL Noise / Acoustics – Proposed Methods Juliet Page, Volpe

1610 – 1630 Ride Handling and Passenger Experience

George Price, Crowne Consulting

1630 – 1700 VFS / NASA Transformative Vertical Flight Working Groups Outbriefs Johnny Doo, International Vehicle Research, Inc.

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Day 3 – Thu., Sept. 12 – System Safety & Certification		
Organizers: Jonathan Hartman / Ajay Sehgal / Dan Newman / Anubhav Datta		
0830 - 0900	Registration Opens	
	Welcome and Introductions	
0900 - 0930	Jonathan Hartman, Sikorsky	
	Nick Lappos, Sikorsky	
0000 4000	Adminstration Goals and Priorities	
0930 - 1000	Joe Van Valen & Bert Williams, OSTP	
	Today's Vehicles – an Intro to Risk Framework	
1000 - 1100	Certification of today's General Aviation and Rotorcraft is a defined process with	
	required artifacts and analyses.	
	Defining and Understanding Risk-Based Frameworks	
4400 4420	John Burchett, International System Safety Organization	
1100 - 1130	Networking Break	
	Understanding Operational Risks for UAM	
	• How does the weather impact the design & operation of evil OL aircraft?	
	• What solutions are available today, and are they adequate to address the main	
	risk factors? If not, where are the gaps?	
	Is there work that remains to be done to understand the potential safety	
	implications, and if so what needs to be addressed? Is anyone (academic,	
	professional societies or others) working that problem?	
1130 - 1200	Current Rotorcraft Incident Data and Trends	
1100 - 1200	Jonathan Hartman, Sikorsky	
	Impact of Adverse Weather on eVTOL Design & Operations for UAM	
1200 – 1300	Moderator: Ajay Sehgal, KBR	
	· IFR/DVE performance – AV Design / Op Limitations (Vladislav Gavrilets)	
	· GA weather info: Relevance to eVTOL/UAM (Rex Alexander)	
	· Operation in and around icing environment (Ajay Sehgal)	
	· Avoidance/Situational Awareness (Don Berchoff)	
1300 – 1400	Lunch	
	Understanding Air Vehicle Design Risks	
	As the eVTOL / UAM industry has received a significant amount of press in the	
	past few years, most of that has been on the actual vehicles – sleek, modern	
	designs that look comfortable and inviting. In this session, we will explore the	
	safety issues associated with getting the vehicles into operation.	
1400 4400	Uber's Perspective on Vehicle Safety	
1400 – 1420	Mark Moore, Uber Elevate	
	Cyber Security	
1420 1500	Max Earkell Acrospace Industries Accessistion (ALA)	
1420 - 1500	Deniel Freedman, Leekheed Mertin	
1500 – 1530	Networking Break	
	Interactive Next Steps Discussion	
	Addition of operational considerations onto risk framework and how industry	
	associations and societies are working toward achieving the goal of the UAM /	

eVTOL market introduction. This session will also summarize the actions that need to be taken and who will be responsible for accomplishing them.

1530 – 1545 Activities of the VFS eVTOL Technical Committee Anubhav Datta, University of Maryland / Chair of VFS eVTOL Technical Committee

- 1545 1645 ASTM International Ajay Sehgal, KBR SAE International: Mark DeAngelo CAMI: Yolanka Wulff NBAA: Mike Nichols
- 1645 1700 **Program Wrap-up / Capturing Actions** Rex Alexander, Five-Alpha Jim Sherman, Vertical Flight Society Jonathan Hartman, Sikorsky