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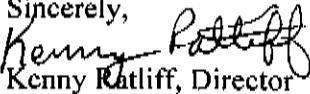
Dear Mr. Davis,

As the state delegate to the National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC) representing Kentucky, I am pleased to confirm our endorsement for the Imagery for the Nation effort. We recognize this would establish a national imagery program with sustainability and provide a set standard for all states that would facilitate sharing.

Kentucky has been fortunate to have acquired statewide imagery in the past. Many organizations and the public have benefited from having access to the updates. It is imperative to have this capability for use in public health, emergency management, and transportation work.

In summary, the benefits of the initiative as we understand them will allow potential "buy-up" for enhanced products, lower the cost of purchasing by doing so in a large area contracting method, and promote a sharing environment of data. We look forward to promoting this effort to the stakeholders in Kentucky, local and state government leadership, the Kentucky State Legislature, and Kentucky's Congressional membership.

Sincerely,


Kenny Ratliff, Director

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