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Reference determined Aeronautical Study No. 2013-WTE-6762-OE – Lawrence, KS

The City of Lawrence and Lawrence Aviation Advisory Board requests a review of the determination issued in this case based on irregularities in the notification of the Aviation Advisory Board about the pending request. In the past, the Airport Manager, Charles Soules, has received notices when an obstruction was proposed in the vicinity of the Lawrence Airport. Mr. Soules has subscribed to the FAA notification system for Lawrence. The City, the Airport, nor Mr. Soules received any notification of this request. We request proof that the FAA notification system provided notice to the Lawrence Airport permitting participation in the circularization of this presumed hazard.

The City of Lawrence and the Aviation Advisory Board request review of this determination based on the high volume of flight school traffic that utilizes the airport. The flight school at Lawrence operates between 6,000 and 8,000 operations per year. Runway 19 is regularly used for primary and crosswind training. The placement of this tower creates an unnatural barrier in the flight path for students unaccustomed to an obstruction being intentionally placed close to the VFR traffic pattern. In addition, any affect to the circle to land procedures for runway 33 is a significant limitation of the usefulness of the Instrument Landing System. The flight school uses the ILS 33 circle to land for runway 19 or 1 weekly.

For these reasons, the City of Lawrence and Airport Advisory Board respectfully submit this petition for discretionary review.

Sincerely,

Michael Dever, Mayor City of Lawrence Richard Haig, Chair Lawrence Municipal Airport Advisory Board

