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Dear Sirs,

In 2008, the Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSP) of France, Germany, Italy, Portugal, Spain, Switzerland and the United Kingdom (DSNA, DFS, ENAV, NAV-P, ENAIRE, Skyguide and NATS) created the ESSP SAS, the company in charge of operating the EGNOS system and providing the EGNOS signal, on behalf of the European GNSS Agency (GSA), an Agency of the European Union.

To this day the ANSPs ESSP founders are proud of the excellent performance of the EGNOS Safety of Life service. The ANSP organizations believe that the recently agreed European PBN regulation is a major step in the evolution of the European navigation infrastructure. The European PBN regulation identifies EGNOS as one of the key PBN contributors to increase safety and airport accessibility through a wide scale development of LPV procedures by 2020; or 2024 where precision procedures already exist.

The ANSPs of the ESSP also support the vision promoted within the PBN regulation that by 2030 Category I precision may be replaced by PBN with EGNOS. In this respect ILS Category I rationalization has already been pioneered within some of our organizations.

The ANSPs of the ESSP are committed to continuing their support of the EGNOS signal provision as well as the implementation of PBN regulation decisions aiming at accelerating the adoption of EGNOS within the European navigation infrastructure. PBN is one key enhancer of the SESAR program and EGNOS will increasingly support Europe CNS rationalization objectives through the next decade.

Yours sincerely,

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