



NASA and the FAA: Building Partnerships

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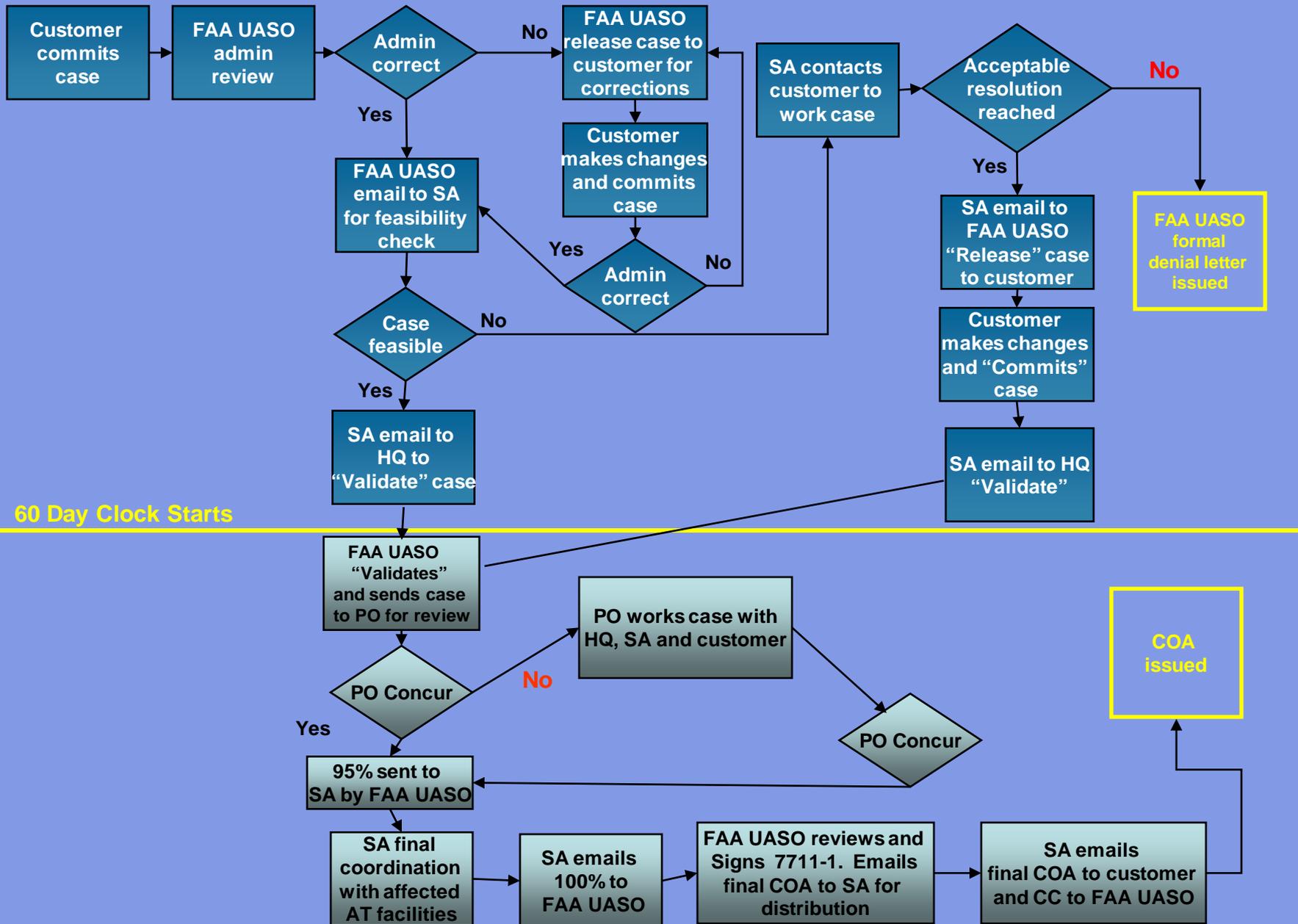
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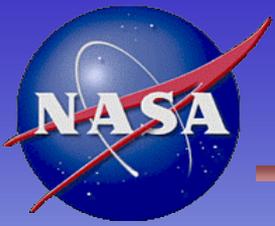


Before the Liaison



- Aerosonde flight into Hurricane Noel, 2007
- Certificate of Authorization (COA) process
 - Currently only means for access
 - Not well understood
 - Approvals taking too long
- Greater interest in use of UAS in NASA Airborne Science Program



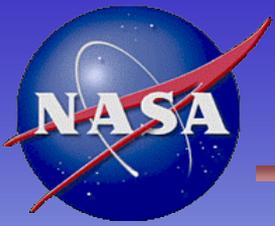


Purpose of Liaison



- Primary Goals
 - Facilitate communications between the two agencies
 - Provide technical expertise on small UAS
 - NASA POC for Certificate of Authorizations

Improve relationship between the two agencies to help facilitate NASA and other science UAS operations within the National Airspace System



One Year Later....



- COA Stats:
 - 13 active
 - 10 pending
- Obtained Hurricane COA
- Small UAS rulemaking involvement
 - ARC membership
 - Safety Risk Management Panel
- Assisting with several FAA projects
- FAA beginning to look at NASA capabilities for assistance



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