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VIRGINIA'S e-REGION

# FIRST Drone Delivery in the U.S.

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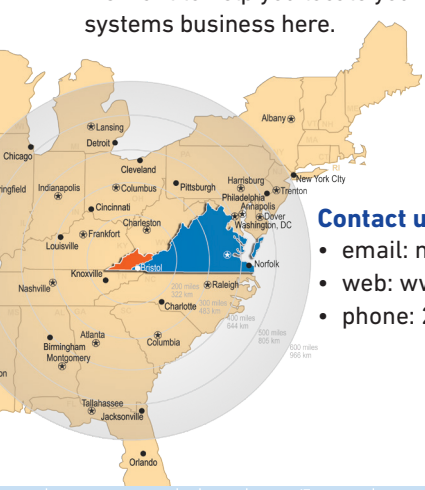
# ‘Kitty Hawk’ Moment in Southwest Virginia’s e-Region

Southwest Virginia’s e-Region is the site of the first FAA approved rural drone delivery in the U.S. The ‘Kitty Hawk’ moment took place July 17, 2015 in Wise County, Virginia, when medical supplies were delivered by drone to a rural medical clinic. History was made, and enthusiasm is high for welcoming unmanned systems to southwestern Virginia.

## Why Southwest Virginia’s e-Region?

- Wise, Virginia, FAA approved UAS launch and recover site designated by the Mid-Atlantic Aviation Partnership led by Virginia Tech
- Applications for unmanned technology in mining, oil and gas, precision agriculture, mapping and mine reclamation
- Drone pilot/operator training is ongoing and available
- Only software engineering degree offered in the state at University of Virginia’s College at Wise
- Sites and buildings for manufacturing
- Workforce with advanced manufacturing and IT skills
- Unique incentive programs
- Virginia Tech is one of six FAA approved test sites in the U.S..

**Southwest Virginia’s e-Region is a land of many applications for unmanned technology.** We want to help you locate your unmanned systems business here.

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