

Submission 39 – Gary Reid

As an aviation hobbyist of 60+ years experienced with fixed wing and multi rotor model aircraft "AKA drones" i know i'm wasting my time commenting on this consultation as your intentions are clear in your introduction, you seem to be intent on creating solutions to problems that only exist in your imagination, funny how the last 15 years since the development of multi rotor aircraft our hobby/ recreation/ sport has been demonized/ vilified by outside influencers to a point where i can fly a hang glider weighing some 130kg+ over a populous area or beach yet now the way "rules" are written if i fly a "drone" weighing less than 250g i'm a criminal and you want us to add Remote ID so i can be held accountable for my actions while having fun flying model aircraft, its about time you show us a legitimate risk assessment showing all the deaths, injury and damage caused by aircraft like the one shown in your consultation introduction or the type i've submitted on file, all i've seen so far is a public Fear campaign very much like the one that has been waged the last 3 years involving the Health sector with politicians like former Senator Barry O'Sullivan (Senate "drone" committee) making alleged claims on public radio that hundreds will die, those claims i believe were made around 2017 show me the death toll in the interim, Remote ID has nothing to do with safety its all about on the ground control and adds nothing but weight and complexity and cost that is in many cases more than the cost of building these aircraft.