Indy Autonomous Challenge Team Leaders:

As part of our ongoing efforts to ensure the rules and requirements of the Indy Autonomous Challenge (IAC) take into account the impacts caused by the Coronavirus to you and your Team Members, we’re writing to share the following formal modifications to the IAC Rules. This Rules Update #4 builds upon the previously circulated Rules Update #1 (20 March 2020), Rules Update #2 (6 April 2020), and Rules Update #3 (9 July 2020)

Round #2 deliverable timeline and criteria

Based on the results of our recently issued survey as well as other input we’ve received, it is apparent that the Coronavirus is still imposing logistical burdens on Teams who, if not for precautionary restrictions, would be able to easily provide the Round #2 deliverable.

Accordingly, while this deliverable will continue to be a requirement for the IAC and a prerequisite to advance, the due date for the Round 2 video submission will now be February 26, 2021 – the day before the Simulation Race.

Additionally, those Teams unable to submit their videos on or before November 25th 2020 will also have to submit a 2-4 page Round 2 update summary that describes: Their planned video’s base (unmodified) vehicle, the automated hardware architecture, the software architecture, and either the current development status (if it’s a new build) or an overview of the vehicle’s operational history (if it’s a preexisting vehicle). Please do not include confidential or proprietary information in these update summaries. Those IAC Teams that are able to submit videos in advance of the updated deadline do not have to provide such a summary.

For those who are able to submit their videos, we will soon be adding them to and highlighting on respective IAC Team website pages to help highlight your experience.

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Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns about these changes. We hope that through subtle, strategic refinements in our scope and timeline as the impacts of the Coronavirus play out, we’ll keep you focused on achieving what matters most to you and us: Supporting your efforts to prepare for October 23, 2021.

Thank you
The Indy Autonomous Challenge Team