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December 19, 1940

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Major R. H. Fleet, President
Consolidated Aircraft Corporation
San Diego, California

Dear Major Fleet:

In support of our briefs submitted to you on May 28th and to General George H. Brett, Chief U. S. Army Air Corps on December the 6th, and subsequent commitments to you and Mr. Van Dusen we held a meeting yesterday afternoon of the Fort Worth City Council, County officials and representatives of the Chamber of Commerce of Fort Worth, at which time the following proposals were confirmed and all three bodies pledged that they would be carried out.

In the event the Government or your company locates the large plant for the manufacture of military planes, which we understand is under consideration with your company, on the Lake Worth site at Fort Worth --

1. We will furnish all or as much as required of the site on the south side of Lake Worth indicated on the map previously submitted to you and to General Brett, consisting of approximately 1200 acres for a factory site and airport, on terms satisfactory to the Government. We suggest a deed to the Government for the area required for factory purposes up to 400 acres, and a lease for use of the airport facilities at \$1.00 per year for as long a period as the Government or your company uses it in connection with the proposed factory.
2. We will provide an airport with such hard surface runways as may be required for the testing of planes and other flight operations with a main north and south runway, the direction of prevailing winds, of 7000 feet length which can be extended and a second runway of 5300 feet length. Also required taxi strips to connect with factory site and other required facilities.
3. We will provide adequate water supply system for delivery of water to the site, sewer main to the site and a sewage disposal plant.
4. We will bring the following utilities to the site: telephone, power and gas lines; and also a railroad spur - all without cost to you or the Government.
5. We will provide adequate main highways to the site as shown on the attached plans of airport with location map.
6. Additional housing for the employees of this plant will be arranged for as needed.
7. The use of water runways on Lake Worth which adjoins the site and Eagle Mountain Lake nearby is pledged if ever needed in connection with the proposed factory or other National Defense purposes.

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In brief, we pledge the united Governmental, business and civic forces of Fort Worth to provide the required facilities for the proposed plant on a basis satisfactory to you and the Government and also the fullest cooperation to assure the most efficient conditions for its operation.

Yours sincerely,

FORT WORTH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

By:

William Holden, Executive Vice President.