

The Honorable James Bilbray  
2005 Defense Base Closure and  
Realignment Commission  
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Jim,

Thank so much for coming to South  
Dakota to meet with us regarding the future  
of Ellsworth Air Force Base. We appreciate  
your willingness to listen to our case. You  
have a very tough job ahead of you  
and I know you will carefully weigh the

facts. If there is any way I or my  
staff can answer additional questions  
you may have, please let me know.

Thank you for coming to South Dakota.

Very truly yours,  
John Thune