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Commissioners  
2005 Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission  
2521 S. Clark Street, Suite 600  
Arlington, VA 22202

Dear Commissioners:

Aberdeen Proving Ground is a good neighbor and a significant asset to our community. As an important center to the military's mission, the realignment at APG will make it even stronger. We welcome and heartily endorse the Department of Defense's recommendations regarding APG, and we will eagerly work with the Department to implement its recommendations.

When the final decisions on base realignment and closure are made, our community will work with and support the Garrison Command to ensure a smooth transition.

We are ready to respond to the needs of the Department of Defense in the strengthening of Aberdeen Proving Ground and our national defense through the BRAC process.

Sincerely,

David E. Carey  
Mayor