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BRAC Commission
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Dear BRAC Commissioners:

I have read the parts of your report that deal with Crane Naval Support Activity and see that the rate of return for consolidating Naval Guns and Ammunition with the Army at Picatinny has a payback that would not occur until 13 years have passed, in conflict with the stated goal of a 4 year payback. Even after the 13 year payback period, the total savings over twenty years is predicted at \$33 million, well below the returns for many of the other significant recommendations of the Commission. Over this long a time, I would suggest that the likelihood of accurately predicting such a small return is small.

At the same time, Crane, through its current LEAN efforts and previously with Business and Process Reengineering has consistently brought the Navy more money than this in Military Value beyond its cost. I firmly believe that Crane will continue to bring value to the Navy in the field of gun ammunition if it is left to do the work it has been actively pursuing for the Warfighter.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Luther Whorrall".

Luther Whorrall

Copies to:
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