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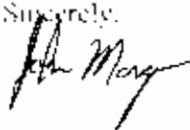
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BRAC # 4794
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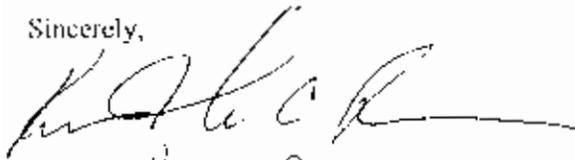
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James O Reinhart
4290 W. Lynwood Drive
Bloomington, IN 47404

I have worked at Crane as a federal employee from June 1965 until I retired in 1999 and have worked as a support contractor since then. I strongly urge your consideration of the alternatives presented to permit Crane to continue providing critical support to the Navy's FLBET.

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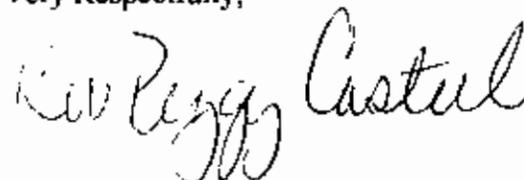
Dear Commissioner Skinner,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your recent visit to NSWC Crane, Crane Army Ammunition Activity, and Southern Indiana. As a concerned taxpayer I support the work you are doing to ensure that our Military operations remain as effective and affordable as possible. I realize that you have a very difficult job in deciding which activities to re-align or close as part of the BRAC process. I hope that your visit helped you to realize what important assets NSWC Crane and CAAA are to our Nation's Defense and the Global War On Terrorism.

I have been following the BRAC process closely since the proposed closure/re-alignment list was published and I am growing increasingly concerned that DOD has not properly followed the law in developing recommendations. The DOD is required to take into account the return on investment resulting from its closure/re-alignment recommendations. Crane has become a one-stop shop for specialized weapons for our Special Forces Warfighters. Crane did this by being responsive, innovative, technically superior and affordable for these outstanding soldiers. As our reputation for delivering what the customer needed, when it was needed, at a cost that was affordable, more work was brought to us. The proposal to the commission to realign work to China Lake and Picatinny will now split the support to special forces to different locations. This will add cost, reduce efficiency and cause a loss in intellectual capital that could take years to replace.

I urge you to reconsider the recommendation to re-align work from NSWC Crane by properly taking into account the Return On Investment requirements of BRAC law.

Very Respectfully,

Handwritten signature of Kevin P. Castel in black ink.

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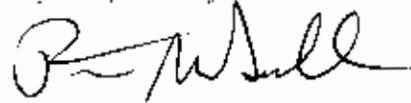
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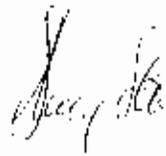
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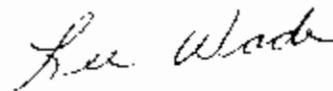
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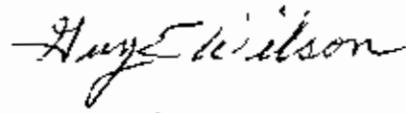
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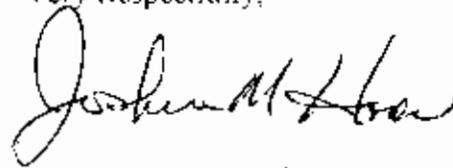
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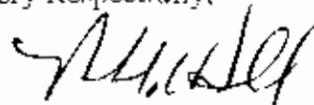
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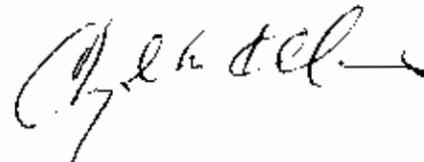
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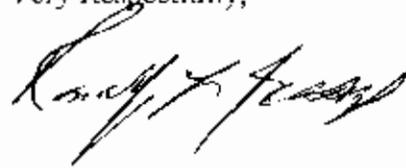
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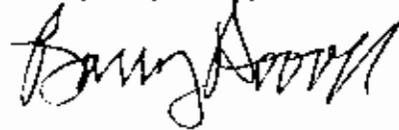
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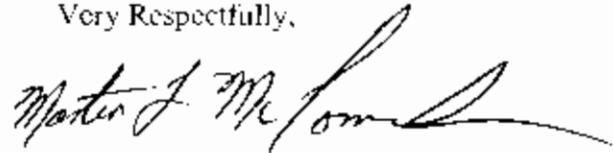
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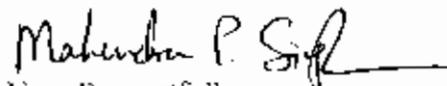
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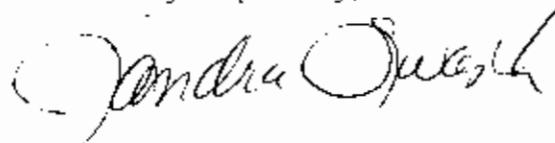
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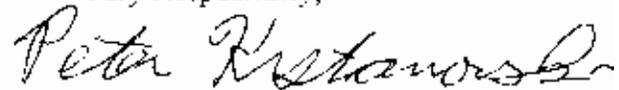
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