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Dear Mr. Felitti:

SUBJECT:

Willow Run Powertrain Site, Ypsilanti, Michigan

EPA Docket No. V-W-15-C-017

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Jackson Remediation and Redevelopment District Office (JRRDO), appreciates being afforded the opportunity to comment on the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) Proposed Prospective Purchaser Agreement for the Willow Run Powertrain Site located in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

The JRRDO commends the USEPA for its focus on the protection of Michigan citizens, being full partners in Michigan's economic recovery and providing unmatched customer service. The JRRDO supports the proposed administrative settlement concerning a portion of the Willow Run Powertrain Site located in Ypsilanti, Michigan. The JRRDO supports USEPA's decision to require Yankee Air Museum (YAM) to record a Declaration of Restrictive Covenant and exercise due care with respect to existing contamination. As you know, the JRRDO has been working with the USEPA Region 5 and multiple other stakeholders, including but not limited to the MDEQ Office of Waste Management and Radiological Protection, RACER Trust, YAM and Ypsilanti Township, to support the remediation for redevelopment. We believe the formal adoption of the proposed settlement is an important next step to bringing the YAM portion of the former GM Powertrain back into productive use, which we welcome and applaud. Thank you for consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,

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