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Mr. Andrew McGilvray
Executive Secretary
Foreign Trade Zones Board
U.S Department of Commerce
1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 2111
Washington, DC 20230

Re: **Flextronics - Foreign Trade Zone Application**

Dear Mr. McGilvray:

I am advised that an application will be filed with the Foreign Trade Zones Board to designate the two Flextronics' facilities in Travis County as foreign trade zone sites. The facilities are: 1) 12455 Research Boulevard in Austin and 2) 900 New Meister Lane in Pflugerville. I'm in agreement that the imported inventory, and inventory held for export located within these two zones be exempt from ad valorem tax.

Flextronics is a productive partner in the regional economy. Flextronics is also a global leader in advanced manufacturing. The foreign trade zone designation for these two facilities has the potential to create 1,694 new high-tech manufacturing jobs for area residents. This expansion of manufacturing capabilities will also result in new machinery and equipment investments for these facilities.

Manufacturing accounts for 20 percent of the region's gross metropolitan product, and provides 50,000 local jobs. Travis County recognizes the vital impact of advanced manufacturing on our economy and encourages the expansion of companies like Flextronics.

Sincerely,

Samuel T. Biscoe
Travis County Judge

