

Foreign Trade Zone Project

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Commissioner Price,

Let me know if the attached letter is what you need. If so, I will deliver the original to you in the morning. If you were looking for something else, give me a call.

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Re: Foreign Trade Zone Project

Dear Commissioner Price,

You have asked that I provide a letter confirming our conversation about the likelihood that foreign trade zone status would be readily available for a property in your district that is not part of the current proposed foreign trade zone expansion in Southern Dallas County, but later attracts a business that would benefit from foreign trade zone status. In this situation, the Dallas/Fort Worth International Board ("DFW") should be in a position to accommodate a foreign trade zone request very quickly.

Foreign Trade Zones Board Regulations (15 CFR §400.41) state "Zone grantees shall ensure that the reasonable needs of the business community are served by their zone projects." As grantee for the DFW Foreign Trade Zone, DFW has consistently worked to accommodate any business that needs foreign trade zone status to conduct business, regardless of location in the Metroplex. Provided that the business receives the requisite approvals of the local taxing jurisdictions, DFW has without exception provided prompt approvals for businesses needing foreign trade zone status. In fact, DFW has a track record of working with the Foreign Trade Zones Board to provide accelerated or interim approvals in order to meet time sensitive deadlines.

Although I cannot commit DFW, I believe you can have a high level of confidence that DFW will proactively work to assist any business that needs a foreign trade zone location in your district.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional information.

Very truly yours,

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