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Ms. Vivian Powell, State Economic Developer
NC Department of Commerce
P.O. Box 80756
RDU Airport, NC 27623

Re: Vance County Hub Site

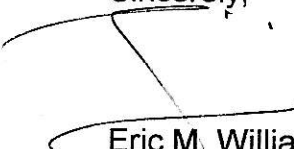
Dear Ms. Powell:

Please accept this letter as a very strong and enthusiastic endorsement by the City of Henderson for the Hub site becoming a certified site as designated by the State Department of Commerce.

While the site is not located within either the Henderson city limits or our current extra-territorial jurisdiction, the area is served by the city's water and sewer system. In addition to these important connections, the EDC has worked hand-in-hand with the City's Engineering and Planning Departments to ensure all current and future utility connections comply with our high standards in that regard. The site is an extremely high quality and vital development for our area, including the City of Henderson, and its potential impact on overall economic growth and development is significant. Accordingly, your certification program is a vital part of that growth and economic development equation here in Henderson, Vance County and, in fact, our region.

Please do not hesitate to call me directly at 252-431-6006, any of the City Staff or Mayor Seifert and members of the City Council if we can assist in any way with either the certification process specifically or the development and growth of the site in general.

Sincerely,


Eric M. Williams
City Manager

cc: Mayor & City Council
County Manager, Jerry Ayscue
EDC Chairman, Sam Watkins
COG Executive Director, Neil Mallory
City Attorney, John Zollicoffer
Selected City Staff (M. Warren, G. Smith, F. Frazier)