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April 22, 2010

Mr. Ramon Lugo, III
Acting Director, Glenn Research Center
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Dear Mr. Lugo:

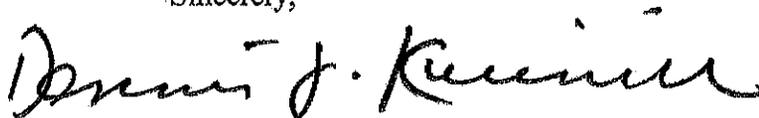
The NASA Glenn Research Center at Lewis Field (NASA Glenn) is a crucially important part of our nation's aerospace and aeronautics programs and I look forward to meeting with you on April 28 to discuss the many issues of importance to NASA, the nation, and the people of Ohio's 10th Congressional District.

Among the issues of great importance is the status of local communities which host NASA Glenn, including Fairview Park where Buildings 500 and 501 are currently located. I recently learned that a project to redevelop one or both buildings to suit a NASA contractor and which would have retained taxpaying employees on the site is now in jeopardy. According to officials from Fairview Park, that community has already lost approximately \$400,000 in annual income tax revenue as a result of NASA's civil servants moving out of Building 500 earlier this year. The loss of this redevelopment will result in the loss of another \$400,000 in annual income tax revenue and the necessity for layoffs of critical city employees.

I worked closely with your predecessor, Dr. Woodrow Whitlow, to alert him of the high stakes for Fairview Park. I had assurances from him early on and throughout his tenure at NASA Glenn that he would do everything he could to keep Fairview Park whole. I hope to retain the same assurances from you when we meet on April 28. However, because of the sudden and urgent nature of this new threat to the current plans, I want to make sure that you know of the importance of this matter to the people of the 10th District and the region in advance of that meeting. I ask that you work closely with me, the administration in Fairview Park, and others to ensure that a viable redevelopment takes place at the Fairview Park site; that you do everything possible to ensure that Fairview Park stay whole as NASA undergoes its changes; and that you provide me with a full briefing on the status of this matter when we meet on April 28.

Thank you for your concern in this matter. I look forward to our upcoming meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dennis J. Kucinich". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Dennis J. Kucinich
Member of Congress