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Brigadier General John D. Slocum  
29553 George Avenue  
Selfridge Air National Guard Base, MI 48045

Dear General Slocum:

As a leading civil engineering firm serving southeast Michigan, we feel well qualified to share the importance of Selfridge Air National Guard Base, and the men, women and equipment who operate out of the base as they so ably serve our county, state and nation. They are truly second-to-none, and the leadership provided by General Slocum and his team are surely among the best in the nation.

We're proud of the way our communities, citizens and businesses actively support the base and the five branches of the armed services who are represented there, and are active participants in a number of ways, including the Selfridge Base Community Council.

Selfridge has been an important part of our nation's defense readiness for 100 years, and has enjoyed the support of our communities for each of those many years. With 3,000 full-time civilian and military personnel, and 3,000 members of the Air and Army National Guard and the Reserve components of the U.S. Armed Forces, they are as important today to our nation's defense as they were 100 years ago.

You could make no better choice than Selfridge to serve as a "beddown" location for the new F-35A Lightning II aircraft basing.

AEW fully supports the ongoing efforts of all who are working so diligently to help make Selfridge the new home for the F-35A Lightning II. Please know that I also stand ready to assist in whatever way I can personally to support the team's efforts to bring the F-35s to Selfridge; please feel to contact me.

Sincerely,

  
Roy C. Rose  
President & CEO

CC: U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow  
U.S. Senator Gary Peters  
Congressman Sander Levin  
Congressman Paul Mitchell  
Governor Rick Snyder  
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