



March 9, 2021

Mr. Jeff W. Smith  
President  
UT-Battelle Development Corporation  
P.O. Box 2008  
Oak Ridge, TN 37830-6241

Dear Jeff:

On behalf of the City of Oak Ridge, let me express my appreciation to you and Thomas Zacharias for being in our attendance at the Oak Ridge City Council meeting. The City Council was surprised and deeply touched by the gracious contribution of \$500,000 to be used for the Oak Ridge Airport project. As we move toward eventual construction, the proposed use of the UT-Battelle funding will be most helpful in meeting any matching requirements as required by associated grants. As seen by City Council action last night, the City is prepared to proceed with the assemblage of land, purchase of buildings and easements and eventual costs required to complete the project.

By this note, I wish to acknowledge the receipt of the UT-Battelle funding which will be incorporated into the City of Oak Ridge capital accounts and specifically reserved with airport related accounts. We appreciate the community support for this important economic development project.

Many thanks again,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark S. Watson".

Mark S. Watson  
City Manager

