



# STATE OF MINNESOTA

## Office of Governor Tim Pawlenty

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November 18, 2010

Mr. Robert J. Stevens  
CEO and Chairman  
Lockheed Martin  
6801 Rockledge Drive  
Bethesda, MD 20817

Dear Mr. Stevens,

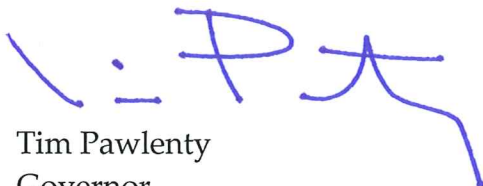
I was disappointed to hear today that Lockheed Martin plans to close its Eagan, Minnesota facility and transfer many of those jobs to other work sites in the United States. Lockheed Martin has a long history in Eagan and has been a valuable contributor to the economic vitality of the community.

I am writing to request an opportunity to discuss these plans with you and to offer our assistance in finding ways to keep the facility open. I strongly believe the plant's location near the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, the high quality of our workforce, and the business-friendly environment in Minnesota are important considerations for continuing operations here.

As part of my pledge to the company, I will encourage the next governor to consider recommending significant and innovative incentives to the Legislature for keeping the Lockheed Martin facility in Eagan. The company is an important business partner in Minnesota, and we are committed to helping you operate successfully here for many years to come.

Please contact my staff to schedule a time in the near future to discuss these plans. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,



Tim Pawlenty  
Governor