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November 1, 1951

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Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland-Hopkins Airport  
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Dear Dr. Sharp:

Delay in expressing my pleasure at being invited to attend your 1951 Inspection is not because I am unappreciative. It was really one of the most interesting days I have ever experienced. You and your staff are deserving of the highest praise for the well planned and thorough execution of your program, which kept everyone on the "alert" so as not to miss anything.

Both our Regional Director, Mr. Skeen, and our Deputy Director, Mr. Lund, stated they also enjoyed the day, and "would not have missed it for anything." Mr. Risty, Mr. Good and I were of the same opinion. Thanks from all of us for an enjoyable and instructive day.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

Scott M. Swisher  
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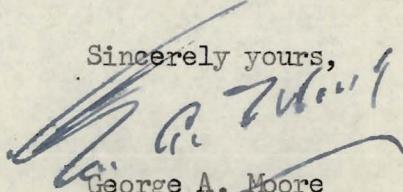
Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Director  
NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Municipal Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

I regret very much that I was unable personally to take advantage of the invitation to participate in the Open House that you recently held, but I want to assure you that those of our organization, including Mr. Rogers, Mr. McCrystal, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Jones, who did attend were very enthusiastic in their praise of the way in which you had set up the meetings and in the information as to your activities which they received.

They confirm what I have always recognized, and that is that you and your associates are doing an extraordinarily fine job.

Sincerely yours,



George A. Moore  
Regional Director

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Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
 Director, NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
 Cleveland Municipal Airport  
 Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

The 1951 Biennial Inspection in Cleveland was indeed a tribute to the achievements of the NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory in the field of aircraft propulsion research.

I thought that the exhibits and displays were especially effective in presenting to best advantage your research facilities and methods. In fact, your entire presentation was one of the finest of its kind I have been privileged to see.

The members of my staff who attended the Inspection and I wish to sincerely thank you for your invitation. It was a most profitable visit for us.

Very truly yours,

*Fred R. Dent, Jr.*  
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Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
Director  
NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ray:

Will you express my personal appreciation to the members of the Lewis Laboratory staff who participated in the planning and execution of the annual inspection. It may seem at first sight that the task of attempting to describe in simple non-technical language what we are doing and why, does not contribute to our goal of the technical advancement of aeronautics. Yet on closer consideration it will be realized that the financial and moral support of our work, which makes possible the technical advances, is dependent ultimately on an appreciation of its value, not only by technical specialists but by the executives of industry and government. The inspection activities are a great incentive to clear thinking as to our real objectives.

Comments on the inspection have been uniformly favorable, both as to content and manner of presentation. I was especially pleased to see the work of the supporting personnel presented as an integral part of the story to be told. The detailed arrangements for transportation, food, conduct of the parties from place to place, seating, lighting, amplification of sound, etc. were well taken care of. As stated by many visitors, it was the best inspection yet, and it set a high standard for the future.

Sincerely,

*Hugh L. Dryden*

Hugh L. Dryden  
Director

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Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
National Advisory Committee  
for Aeronautics  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ray:

The Inspection was magnificent. Everyone says so.

In addition to the overall fine job were those little personal attentions that your people are so cheerful about giving and which our public appreciates so much. There were a number of instances--I should not single out one. But ask Willson Hunter about his supplying Charlie Corddry with a needed package of chewing gum. Read the attached letter from Al Hughes.

I'll tell you, Ray, your gang is hard to beat.

Most sincerely,



E. E. Miller

*W.H. Hunter*

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THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR  
One Norway Street  
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Editorial Department

October 15, 1951

Mr. Eugene Miller  
Director of Public Relations  
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics  
1724 F Street, N. W.  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Gene:

May I express my personal pleasure at seeing you again and also congratulations to NACA for the fine show they put on at Cleveland.

Also, could you relay to Mr. Hunter my very hearty thanks for going back into the administration building to see if he could find my notes and pix which I absent-mindedly left behind me. I see they arrived air mail, special, here, for which many thanks, as I am preparing more copy on the trip.

I started looking inside, with customary modesty, for my story and then discovered it was on the front page. Hence, it got cut, being longer than page one length. However, I am very happy for the display.

Hope to be seeing you all again soon.

Sincerely,

/s/ Al Hughes

Al Hughes  
Aviation Editor

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CLEVELAND 1, OHIO  
October 18, 1951

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Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

This is a line to thank you for the privilege of attending the inspection of the Laboratory last week. It was a program of very unusual interest and excellently presented. You and your organization are to be heartily congratulated on the performance.

It seems to me that, in these days, it is indeed a wise policy to keep the interested public informed as to the over all objectives and work at the Laboratory. You can all be proud of your accomplishments.

Sincerely yours,

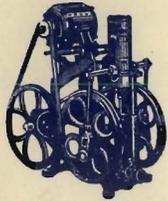
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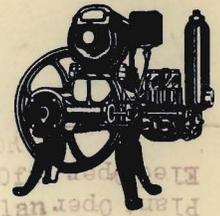
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October 17, 1951

Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
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Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Attention - Mr. Edward R. Sharp,  
Director

Gentlemen:

I recently had the pleasure of visiting your laboratory on the occasion of your Biennial Inspection.

I was very impressed with the magnitude and scope of the research and development work which you are carrying on and want to say, "well done" for the manner in which the show was presented.

It is, indeed, a credit to an organization, devoted to the principles of higher research, to have shown as much thought, care and practical planning in the difficult presentation of their work to the general public.

Very truly yours,

NATIONAL WATER LIFT COMPANY

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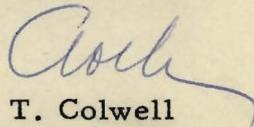
Dr. E. R. Sharp  
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics  
Cleveland Municipal Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ray:

I wish to compliment you on the recent Biennial Inspection which it was my pleasure to attend last week. It was the finest program I have seen, and it is a privilege to be a guest at these outstanding sessions.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours



A. T. Colwell  
Vice President

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Edward R. Sharp, Sc. D., Director  
c/o Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

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Dear Dr. Sharp:

Just a note to congratulate you on the  
marvellous inspection trip you had through your laboratory last week.  
I have never seen a better conducted tour or one of more interest to  
the spectators.

May I also congratulate you on the  
wonderful work you are doing?

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours most sincerely,

*William K. Fitch*

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October 16th, 1951

Edward R. Sharp, Sc. D., Director  
c/o Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

My Dear Ray:

You and your associates are to be congratulated on the very fine show which you put on at the Laboratory last week and I want to express my appreciation and offer such congratulations.

One cannot fail to be impressed with the smoothness with which your Inspections are conducted, nor be unmindful of the great amount of preparatory work involved. Like the others, it was most instructive and interesting.

Sincerely,

*Walter Hoffmann*

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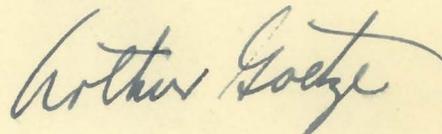
Dear Dr. Sharp:

Just a brief note to thank you for the opportunity we had to inspect the laboratory operated under your direction. We had a most enjoyable and worth-while day and I am indeed grateful.

I have on a number of occasions in the past been critical of certain elements of our governmental expenditures and the recent disclosures of inefficiencies and poor management have served to make me even more critical. I assure you that I would be happy indeed if all governmental funds were spent as effectively and for as good a purpose as is the case in the Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory.

Thanks again for the opportunity to see firsthand the fine work being carried on under your direction.

Sincerely,



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October 15, 1951

Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ed:

This is just a note of congratulations for the tremendously fine Open House which NACA arranged last week. It certainly is the most outstanding show of this kind that is produced in the country. It seems as though every possible demonstration technique was employed to make the Open House both instructive and interesting. We are all very proud of the NACA.

Sincerely,

*Elmer Hutchisson*

Elmer Hutchisson  
Acting President

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Region Five  
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Director of the Lewis Flight  
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Dear Dr. Sharp:

Just a little note to tell you how much I appreciated the opportunity of visiting your laboratory and seeing the demonstrations on last Wednesday. Mr. John A Skeen, Regional Director, General Services Administration, Chicago, and Mr. Peter T. Risty, Director, Office of Management, General Services Administration, Chicago, who are now out of the office on business requested that I also extend to you their appreciation.

Outside of the wonders portrayed by the technical features of the demonstration we were all very much impressed by the careful scheduling of the demonstrations and the handling of the large number of visitors. We all felt that the visual portraying of highly technical subjects in a simple understandable visual manner was most remarkable. In General Services Administration we long have been advocates of a visual method of teaching and of portraying problems and feel that as a sidelight to the main purpose of our visit to Cleveland that we learned very much with respect to what can be accomplished by the means of visual exhibits.

Very truly yours,

*[Handwritten signature of Earl H. Lund]*

Earl H. Lund  
Deputy Regional Director  
Public Buildings Service

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ARMED FORCES STAFF COLLEGE  
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15 October 1951

Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

In company with Rear Admiral McLean, I attended the inspection of your facilities on October 11, 1951. You have received a letter of appreciation from the College to which I should like to add my personal thanks. The tour was excellently prepared and presented.

An idea occurred to me which you may wish to add to your brochure. Many individuals made notes of the lectures. If you added one more four-page sheet to the booklet and labelled it as I have indicated on the enclosed booklet, your spectators could then retain, in one package, all the information they are desirous of keeping. The orientation of the printed matter is suggested as being easier to handle.

Again, thank you for an enlightening tour.

Sincerely,

*Francis B. Carlson*  
FRANCIS B. CARLSON  
Lt. Colonel, USAF

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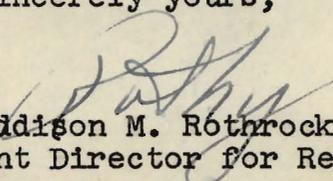
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Mr. E. R. Sharp  
NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ray,

Please express to the staff of the Laboratory my appreciation for the very fine inspection. I heard, as I am sure you did, many compliments on the nice job that was done. The technical level, in my opinion, was the best that we have had in any inspection, and I think a nice job was done in showing that the research on our aircraft engines must be integrated and that many supporting facilities are required to do the job adequately.

Sincerely yours,

  
Addison M. Rothrock  
Assistant Director for Research

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ALBERT M. HIGLEY  
2036 EAST 22ND STREET  
CLEVELAND

October 12, 1951

Dear Ray:

Thank you very much for inviting me to the 1951 Biennial Inspection.

This was by far the best inspection of the three which I have attended. All of the boys did an excellent job in explaining your work.

It is very heartening to see what a fine job your organization is doing.

Thanks again and best wishes.

Yours truly,



Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics  
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# NATIONWIDE FOOD SERVICE, INC.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICES

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October 12, 1951  
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Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Doctor Sharp:

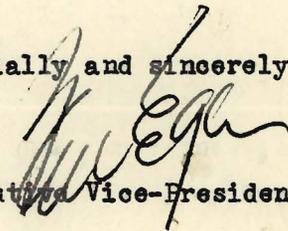
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With best wishes, I am

Cordially and sincerely,

  
Executive Vice-President

Ben Regan:aw

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CLEVELAND 14, OHIO.

October 12, 1951

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Cordially,

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Clifford Gildersleeve  
Industrial Commissioner

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With kind personal regards,

Yours very sincerely,

*Randolph Eide*

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From the feeding angle, I do feel that your situation is so different from that of the ordinary industrial plant, there is no comparison, and, under the circumstances, I believe that an excellent job is being done.

Don't know how often you visit Chicago but I do hope you will be visiting here one of these days, and that I may be favored with a call from you so that we may have another and perhaps a little more intimate visit. I surely will look forward to it, and I will promise you there will be no business discussed.

Again, let me express my appreciation for the courtesies which you extended to me and to Mr. Regan. My every good wish.

Sincerely yours

L. E. Leverone

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THE OHIO BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

750 Huron Road  
Cleveland 15, Ohio

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/s/ Randolph Eide

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Cordially,

/s/ Clifford Gildersleeve

Clifford Gildersleeve  
Industrial Commissioner

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ALBERT M. HIGLEY  
2036 East 22nd Street  
Cleveland

October 12, 1951

Dear Ray:

Thank you very much for inviting me to the 1951 Biennial Inspection.

This was by far the best inspection of the three which I have attended. All of the boys did an excellent job in explaining your work.

It is very heartening to see what a fine job your organization is doing.

Thanks again and best wishes,

Yours truly,

/s/ Al

Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics  
Cleveland Hopkins Airport  
Cleveland 11, Ohio

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Cordially and sincerely,

/s/ Ben Regan

Executive Vice-President

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NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
FOR AERONAUTICS

1724 F Street, Northwest  
Washington 25, D. C.

October 15, 1951

Mr. E. R. Sharp  
NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ray,

Please express to the staff of the Laboratory my appreciation for the very fine inspection. I heard, as I am sure you did, many compliments on the nice job that was done. The technical level, in my opinion, was the best that we have had in any inspection, and I think a nice job was done in showing that the research on our aircraft engines must be integrated and that many supporting facilities are required to do the job adequately.

sincerely yours,

/s/ Rothy

Addison M. Rothrock  
Assistant Director for Research

CASE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

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CLEVELAND 6, OHIO

Office of the President

October 15, 1951

Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ed:

This is just a note of congratulations for the tremendously fine Open House which NACA arranged last week. It certainly is the most outstanding show of this kind that is produced in the country. It seems as though every possible demonstration technique was employed to make the Open House both instructive and interesting. We are all very proud of the NACA.

Sincerely,

/s/ Hutch

Elmer Hutchisson  
Acting President

ARMED FORCES STAFF COLLEGE

Norfolk 11, Virginia

15 October 1951

Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

In company with Rear Admiral McLean, I attended the inspection of your facilities on October 11, 1951. You have received a letter of appreciation from the College to which I should like to add my personal thanks. The tour was excellently prepared and presented.

An idea occurred to me which you may wish to add to your brochure. Many individuals made notes of the lectures. If you added one more four-page sheet to the booklet and labelled it as I have indicated on the enclosed booklet, your spectators could then retain, in one package, all the information they are desirous of keeping. The orientation of the printed matter is suggested as being easier to handle.

Again, thank you for an enlightening tour.

Sincerely,

/s/  
FRANCIS B. CARLSON  
Lt. Colonel, USAF

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Region Five  
528 U. S. Court House  
Chicago 4, Illinois

October 15, 1951

Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
Director of the Lewis Flight  
Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

Just a little note to tell you how much I appreciated the opportunity of visiting your laboratory and seeing the demonstrations on last Wednesday. Mr. John A. Skeen, Regional Director, General Services Administration, Chicago, and Mr. Peter T. Risty, Director, Office of Management, General Services Administration, Chicago, who are now out of the office on business requested that I also extend to you their appreciation.

Outside of the wonders portrayed by the technical features of the demonstration we were all very much impressed by the careful scheduling of the demonstrations and the handling of the large number of visitors. We all felt that the visual portraying of highly technical subjects in a simple understandable visual manner was most remarkable. In General Services Administration we long have been advocates of a visual method of teaching and of portraying problems and feel that as a sidelight to the main purpose of our visit to Cleveland that we learned very much with respect to what can be accomplished by the means of visual exhibits.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Earl H. Lund

Earl H. Lund  
Deputy Regional Director  
Public Buildings Service

DRAVO CORPORATION  
MACHINERY DIVISION

4810 Prospect Ave., Cleveland 3, Ohio

October 16th, 1951

Edward R. Sharp, Sc.D., Director  
c/o Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

My Dear Ray:

You and your associates are to be congratulated on the very fine show which you put on at the Laboratory last week and I want to express my appreciation and offer such congratulations.

One cannot fail to be impressed with the smoothness with which your Inspections are conducted, nor be unmindful of the great amount of preparatory work involved. Like the others, it was most instructive and interesting.

Sincerely,

/s/ Walter Hoffman

THE OHIO BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

750 Huron Road  
Cleveland 15, Ohio

Arthur B. Goetze  
Vice President

October 16, 1951

Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

Just a brief note to thank you for the opportunity we had to inspect the laboratory operated under your direction. We had a most enjoyable and worth-while day and I am indeed grateful.

I have on a number of occasions in the past been critical of certain elements of our governmental expenditures and the recent disclosures of inefficiencies and poor management have served to make me even more critical. I assure you that I would be happy indeed if all governmental funds were spent as effectively and for as good a purpose as is the case in the Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory.

Thanks again for the opportunity to see firsthand the fine work being carried on under your direction.

Sincerely,

/s/ Arthur Goetze

NATIONAL WATER LIFT COMPANY

2220 Palmer Avenue

Kalamazoo, Michigan

October 17, 1951

Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
N. A. C. A.  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Attention - Mr. Edward R. Sharp  
Director

Gentlemen:

I recently had the pleasure of visiting your laboratory on the occasion of your Biennial Inspection.

I was very impressed with the magnitude and scope of the research and development work which you are carrying on and want to say, "well done" for the manner in which the show was presented.

It is, indeed, a credit to an organization, devoted to the principles of higher research, to have shown as much thought, care and practical planning in the difficult presentation of their work to the general public.

Very truly yours,

NATIONAL WATER LIFT COMPANY

/s/ Severens Balch

President

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THOMPSON PRODUCTS, INC

23555 Euclid Avenue

Cleveland 17, Ohio

Executive Offices

October 17, 1951

Dr. E. R. Sharp  
National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics  
Cleveland Municipal Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ray:

I wish to compliment you on the recent Biennial Inspection which it was my pleasure to attend last week. It was the finest program I have seen, and it is a privilege to be a guest at these outstanding sessions.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours

/a/ Arch

A. T. Colwell  
Vice President

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THE NATIONAL CITY BANK  
OF CLEVELAND

Ellery Sedgwick, Jr.  
Vice President

Cleveland 1, Ohio

October 18, 1951

Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

This is a line to thank you for the privilege of attending the inspection of the Laboratory last week. It was a program of very unusual interest and excellently presented. You and your organization are to be heartily congratulated on the performance.

It seems to me that, in these days, it is indeed a wise policy to keep the interested public informed as to the over all objectives and work at the Laboratory. You can all be proud of your accomplishments.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery Sedgwick, Jr.

Vice President

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Pittsburgh 22, Pennsylvania

William K. Fitch  
Chairman

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Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Sc. D., Director  
c/o Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

Just a note to congratulate you on the marvellous inspection trip you had through your laboratory last week. I have never seen a better conducted tour or one of more interest to the spectators.

May I also congratulate you on the wonderful work you are doing?

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours most sincerely,

/s/ William K. Fitch

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
FOR AERONAUTICS

1724 F Street, Northwest  
Washington 25, D. C.

October 24, 1951

Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
Director  
NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Ray:

Will you express my personal appreciation to the members of the Lewis Laboratory staff who participated in the planning and execution of the annual inspection. It may seem at first sight that the task of attempting to describe in simple non-technical language what we are doing and why, does not contribute to our goal of the technical advancement of aeronautics. Yet on closer consideration it will be realized that the financial and moral support of our work, which makes possible the technical advances, is dependent ultimately on an appreciation of its value, not only by technical specialists but by the executives of industry and government. The inspection activities are a great incentive to clear thinking as to our real objectives.

Comments on the inspection have been uniformly favorable, both as to content and manner of presentation. I was especially pleased to see the work of the supporting personnel presented as an integral part of the story to be told. The detailed arrangements for transportation, food, conduct of the parties from place to place, seating, lighting, amplification of sound, etc. were well taken care of. As stated by many visitors, it was the best inspection yet, and it set a high standard for the future.

Sincerely,

/s/

Hugh L. Dryden  
Director

HEADQUARTERS

WRIGHT AIR DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base  
Dayton, Ohio

24 October 1951

Dr. Edward R. Sharp  
Director, NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Municipal Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

The 1951 Biennial Inspection in Cleveland was indeed a tribute to the achievements of the NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory in the field of aircraft propulsion research.

I thought that the exhibits and displays were especially effective in presenting to best advantage your research facilities and methods. In fact, your entire presentation was one of the finest of its kind I have been privileged to see.

The members of my staff who attended the Inspection and I wish to sincerely thank you for your invitation. It was a most profitable visit for us.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Fred R. Dent, Jr.

FRED. R. DENT, JR.  
Major General, USAF  
Commanding

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
BUREAU OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COMMERCE  
FIELD SERVICE

Cleveland Regional Office  
410 Union Commerce Building  
925 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland 14, Ohio

October 29, 1951

Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Director  
NACA Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland Municipal Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

I regret very much that I was unable personally to take advantage of the invitation to participate in the Open House that you recently held, but I want to assure you that those of our organization, including Mr. Rogers, Mr. McCrystal, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Jones, who did attend were very enthusiastic in their praise of the way in which you had set up the meetings and in the information as to your activities which they received.

They confirm what I have always recognized, and that is that you and your associates are doing an extraordinarily fine job.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

George A. Moore  
Regional Director

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

500 WJW Building  
1375 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland 15, Ohio

November 1, 1951

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Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Director  
Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory  
Cleveland-Hopkins Airport  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sharp:

Delay in expressing my pleasure at being invited to attend your 1951 inspection is not because I am unappreciative. It was really one of the most interesting days I have ever experienced. You and your staff are deserving of the highest praise for the well planned and thorough execution of your program, which kept everyone on the "alert" so as not to miss anything.

Both our Regional Director, Mr. Skeen, and our Deputy Director, Mr. Lund, stated they also enjoyed the day, and "would not have missed it for anything." Mr. Risty, Mr. Good and I were of the same opinion. Thanks from all of us for an enjoyable and instructive day.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

/s/

Scott M. Swisher  
Acquisition & Utilization Officer