

December 23, 2016

Brian Friedman City of Glendale Office of Economic Development 5850 West Glendale Avenue, Suite 217 Glendale, AZ 85301

**RE: Economic Development Agreement** 

Brian,

In consideration of the proposed Economic Development Agreement between Bechtel and the City of Glendale pertaining to the extension of our existing lease through March 2028, we would like to highlight Bechtel's presence and community involvement in Glendale:

- City of Glendale Chamber of Commerce Membership Bechtel has sustained active membership with the Glendale Chamber for more than 12 years.
- FIRST Robotics Bechtel is a key supporter of STEM programs which includes corporate sponsorship of FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology). During the past 5 years, Bechtel has provided local team sponsorship to Team 498 (Cobra Commanders) from Cactus High School.
- Junior Achievement Through our corporate partnership with Junior Achievement, Bechtel colleagues have led classroom programs at several Glendale area schools focused on financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and work readiness. In Glendale through giving and volunteerism, we have impacted over 550 students in 2016.
- isaac A. Imes Elementary School Through our annual financial support and relationship with the Valley of the Sun United Way, Bechtel has held two successful book drive campaigns for Isaac A. Imes Elementary School which have resulted in a total of 6,000 books and \$4,500 in donations from Bechtel and employees. Bechtel colleagues and their families also participated in a work day event to help improve areas of need within the school grounds.
- Additional Local Sponsorship Bechtel has participated as a contributing sponsor for the Glendale Youth Sports League, the City of Glendale Police Department Annual Awards Dinner, and other local area community activities.

Improving the quality of life in communities where we work is part of Bechtel's corporate values and vital to our Stewardship or corporate social responsibility efforts worldwide. We hope these



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few examples demonstrate that Bechtel's involvement in the local community provides value beyond the economic benefit Glendale receives by having more than 300 high-paying jobs (e.g. greater than \$50,000 per year) located in the city of which approx. 22% of our full-time employee population reside in Glendale. Additionally, it is also worth noting that Bechtel's presence in Glendale results in more than 500 visitors per year from outside of Arizona who attend meetings at our facility, stay in Glendale hotels, dine at local restaurants, and shop at the Tanger outlets during their visit.

We are honored to be an active participant in the Glendale community and look forward to continued involvement.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss further as you work to finalize the prosed Economic Development agreement. Thank you for your help and support.

Regards,

Rick Tesman

Business Manager, Bechtel Business Services

Cc: Alex Llerena, General Manager, Bechtel Business Services