



# BLUEGRASS STATION DIVISION

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

Lexington, Kentucky 40516-9721



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SUBJ: Bluegrass Station Airport Project Closure Statement

In concert with the Governor's requirement for local support, the project does not meet one or more of the feasibility criteria to proceed. As Director of Bluegrass Station, I would like to thank our elected officials in the executive branch, legislative branch and local level for using of the feasibility numbers in the budget request that I created for the purpose of advancing the process towards ultimate feasibility. The ultimate feasibility phase is no longer necessary, in that the **project is now closed**.

I want to apologize to the elected and community members who have endured unmentionable attacks on themselves and their families which should have been directed at me as the driving agent for feasibility information. As public servants we are accountable for our actions and can take some solace in the fact the attacks associated with those actions can be viewed as a punishment for patriotism and confidence in the military service members who ensure our way of life.

Bluegrass Station will continue to be provide all possible support to the mission of our tenants. There is no doubt the tenant mission will be serviced in their best interests. Thank you again to our public servants.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen D. Collins".

Stephen D. Collins

Director, Bluegrass Station