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Jeff Voigt, Chairman
Edgar County Board
115 West Court Street
Paris, IL 61944

Dear Chairman Voigt:

In a letter dated April 6, 2016, the Department advised Edgar County that the Edgar County Airport had not been zoned for airport purposes as required by 620 ILCS 40/1. Edgar County's response to the Department's notice was to adopt an airport resolution to prevent the creation or establishment of airport hazards. Edgar County's airport resolution adopts the protections promulgated by the Department in Title 92 Part 16 of the Illinois Administrative Code under the Airport Zoning Act. This adoption is consistent with the intent of the Airport Zoning Act.

IDOT has considered whether the County's airport resolution satisfies the requirement of airport zoning to expand the airport's landing fields. Having reviewed the Airport Zoning Act (620 ILCS 25/1 et seq.), the General County Airport and Landing Field Act, the Counties Code (55 ILCS 5/5-12001 et seq.), and the Illinois Administrative Code, the Department finds Edgar County's resolution to satisfy the zoning requirements imposed by the General County Airport and Landing Field Act (620 ILCS 40/1)

The consideration of this important matter has taken longer than all the concerned parties would like. The Department is confident the Edgar County Airport is now in compliance with the needed zoning requirements. Edgar County Airport is now eligible to apply for Airport Improvement Funds provided to Illinois by the Federal Aviation Administration for projects within the Airport's Airport Layout Plan.

Sincerely,


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