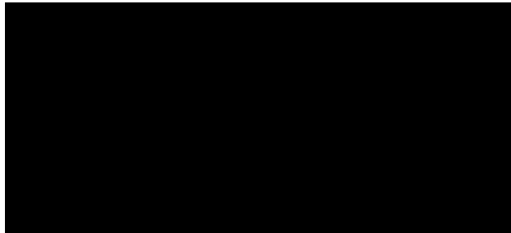


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A few weeks ago I was offered a lucrative and challenging opportunity in private industry. After much consideration, I finally decided to accept the position of Vice President for Engineering at Hughes Aircraft Company, California.

Of course my stay at the Agency was never intended to be permanent, and I made that clear to Mr. McCone four years ago. The goals I set have been realized, and it would not be realistic to turn down the offer. Naturally, it will be difficult to leave my friends and associates in this organization; but such is the way of the world.

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Nancy and I hope we may see you [redacted] again some-time and, if you do not get to California to visit us, we promise to make a return trip [redacted] Meanwhile, our very best wishes to you both.

Sincerely,

Albert D. Wheelon