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Dear Dr. Pohlen,

As the Denton City Manager, I will direct designated City of Denton staff to collaborate with the University of North Texas and Oklahoma area partners in developing a Type-2 Engine to create an innovation ecosystem for transforming the logistics industry and enhancing societal and economic value in the North Central Texas and Southern Oklahoma regions.

To participate in the economic development engine, I, or my organization, will commit the following resources:

- Serve on one of the Texoma Innovation Engine's (TIE's) advisory boards and provide expertise and feedback to the governance board on logistics-related initiatives and innovations including those focusing on infrastructure development;
- Provide use-inspired research topics that can be translated into innovations capable of transforming future logistics operations and processes;
- Assist in identifying opportunities to develop innovation hubs in the region;
- Engage community leaders to obtain their input regarding potential innovations affecting their constituents;
- Collaborate with UNT researchers on potential innovations and educational programs;
- Collaborate on developing the processes required for identifying and analyzing potential innovations, prioritizing and selecting potential innovations for funding, and assisting in the development of these innovations within the ecosystem;
- Identify potential collaborators to expand TIE's impact in the region;

By signing below, I acknowledge that designated City of Denton staff, will collaborate as indicated above to support the "NSF Engines: Type 1: An Inclusive Innovation Ecosystem and Economic Development Engine for Transforming North Central Texas and Southern Oklahoma Logistics Industry." I also agree to designate City of Denton staff to collaborate in developing a proposal for a Type-2 NSF innovation engine. Our commitment will continue unless otherwise terminated by the City of Denton in writing.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name: Sara Hensley  
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