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Mr. P. J. Boatwright  
Executive Director  
United States Golf Association  
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Dear P.J.:

Attached is an official proposal and additional information from the Town of Ridgefield to the United States Golf Association for moving its headquarters to a site in Ridgefield. In addition to the material contained I would personally like to mention other advantages for moving to Ridgefield.

The site involved is in close proximity to a number of services that the USGA requires in operating its business. Two distinct ones are the Post Office of which two are within ten minutes and a number of smaller printing companies capable of handling USGA literature. The location is also close to Wesconn State College which the USGA could draw upon for part time office help and possibly summer help for maintenance of a golf course. There is also available an office temporary business in Danbury, Connecticut that could supply the type of clerical help the USGA frequently needs.

The Danbury Airport which has one of the largest and busiest facilities in the northeast for small private planes is within five minutes of this site. Future plans call for the expansion of this airport into one that will provide passenger service. Transportation by other means is readily accessible. The site is only minutes away from Route 84 which connects with Hartford and Boston and Interstate 684 which connects with New York City and LaGuardia Airport. The Penn Central Railroad has two lines originating within ten minutes to provide commuter service to New York City.



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Under the proposal the Town of Ridgefield is making, the USGA would not own the land upon which the headquarters and golf course would be constructed. Therefore, it would not be liable for any real estate taxes except for the buildings and improvements the association would make.

I would also bring to your attention that other office sites and buildings are available in other areas in the Town of Ridgefield should the USGA desire to locate its offices apart from the golf course and its facilities. This is not necessary, however.

I hope you and your committee will give this proposal every consideration as I think it is a most attractive one. The people who have worked with me on this project in the past few days are extremely enthusiastic about it and I am of the opinion the USGA can practically write its own ticket for establishing facilities it desires.

Respectfully,

Don Brooks

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