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Dear Dr. Wong and Dr Botez,

This is a letter relating to the donation of the McGill Subsonic Blow-down Wind Tunnel (the "Price-Paidoussis wind tunnel"), currently in the laboratory of Room 52, Macdonald Engineering Building, McGill University, to ETS.

Professor Michael Païdoussis, Director of the Fluid-Structures Laboratory in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at McGill University, would like to donate the McGill Subsonic Blow-down Wind Tunnel with its 2 ft × 3 ft test-section to Professor Ruxandra Botez, who is presently heads the Aeronautical Research Laboratory in Aeroservoelasticity, Active Controls and Avionics LARCASE at ETS.

Professor Botez will be in charge of the use of the donated Wind Tunnel (i) mainly for research purposes of the LARCASE Laboratory in the Department of Automated Production Engineering at ETS and (ii) partly for use by Professor Païdoussis and his colleagues (to a maximum of 10% of available time per year, and this not continuously). Thus, it is envisaged that Professors Botez and Paidoussis will also conduct some collaborative research. It is expected that the Wind Tunnel will be moved to ETS from McGill, at the expense and responsibility of ETS, in the beginning of April 2010.


The Wind Tunnel and ancillary equipment were constructed thanks to special grants from NSERC and FCAR (now FQRNT) to Professors M.P. Paidoussis and S.J. Price (now retired).

We take this opportunity to thank the ETS leadership for their decision to install this Subsonic Wind Tunnel. This will undoubtedly create new opportunities for collaboration between the professors involved at McGill and ETS.

Sincerely,



Michael Païdoussis
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