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August 12, 2002

Mr. Jonathan G. Katz
Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: Order Requiring the Filing of Sworn Statements Pursuant to
Section 21(A)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Dear Mr. Katz:

I enclose, in compliance with the Commission's Order requiring the filing of sworn statements pursuant to Section 21(A)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the sworn statements of the Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer of Centex Corporation.

Very truly yours,



Raymond G. Smerge

Enclosures

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Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings

I, Leldon E. Echols, state and attest that:

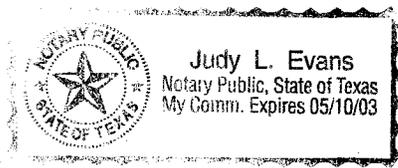
- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Centex Corporation, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
 - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
 - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.
- (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
 - the March 31, 2002 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Commission of Centex Corporation;
 - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Centex Corporation filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
 - any amendments to any of the foregoing.

Leldon E. Echols

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of August 2002.



Judy L. Evans
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 5/10/03