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Mr. Paul H. Pobersny, President
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Dear Paul:

When you called me a few weeks ago with respect to an upcoming article in MECHANIX ILLUSTRATED concerning the Baby Ace and its history, I had no idea that you were planning to go in competition with me.

As you know, I bought out Ace Aircraft Manufacturing Company several years ago. This purchase included all rights to the Baby Ace and the Junior Ace, past present and future. Separately, I also obtained Mr. Corbens permission to use his name and his designs in connection with this company.

I have invested thousands of dollars and many many hours of midnight oil in these airplanes and parts for them. I have offered plans, kits and parts for years, and have consistently advertised in SPORT AVIATION. I think that I have helped a lot of fellows build Baby Aces and Junior Aces, that might never have built an airplane without my help.

In looking over the Mechanix Illustrated article, I find that Ace Aircraft Manufacturing Company is not even mentioned, and, that the EAA is selling plans for the Baby Ace.

Frankly Paul, I am shocked, and I must request that you withdraw any offering by the EAA, of Baby Ace or Junior Ace plans or drawings of any type or model.

By a copy of this letter to MECHANIX ILLUSTRATED I am also requesting that they advise the public that such plans are not available from the EAA.

I will appreciate your cooperation in this matter and will expect both the EAA and MECHANIX ILLUSTRATED to do the right thing.

Sincerely yours,

Thurman G. Baird
Owner
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