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I put my vote in for a San Diego satellite office. San Diego has a large telecommunications and biomedical industry presence as well as Pacific Rim access. Although certain parts of northern California have more patent submissions, San Diego has very convenient airport access with the airport centrally located downtown much like Reagan airport in DC. Business commutes up and down the California coast are easy and frequent with low cost airlines like Southwest departing to the other major cities generally hourly. Plus the cost of living in San Diego is lower than the San Francisco / San Jose area as well as Los Angeles / Orange County. And if employee retention is important, San Diego is a large draw for people. Take for example the Chargers Pro Bowl guard, Kris Dielman. When he was a free agent he chose the quality of life in San Diego for \$4 million a year over a contract offer in Seattle for \$5 million a year.

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