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Department of Consumer Protection 165 Capital Avenue Hartford, CT 06106

To whom it may concern:

I have been involved in multiple projects with the Darlind organization, and it is with pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation.

Darlind Group, Inc. was the Design/Build Contractor for the expansion of the FedEx Freight facility located in Montgomery, NY. As the Architect of Record, I was involved in the project from pre-construction through closeout.

This project was a 45,000 square foot truck terminal expansion which was performed for a private developer, and leased to FedEx. The existing facility was completely operational during the construction phase which commenced shortly after Thanksgiving 2005, and was completed by the end of May 2006. This involved significant coordination and scheduling challenges that were met head on and successfully.

The schedule necessitated working through the dead of winter, and required extensive temporary protection to keep the site work and concrete on schedule. Darlind employed ground heaters in the course of the construction to prevent frozen subgrade under slabs, and also utilized these in the cold weather curing operations.

Larry Knapp, as Project Executive for the Darlind Group, was extensively involved in the code review and the review of our design documents.

Darlind was given incomplete design criteria from the developer, which made our compliance with the FedEx Freight standards a bit more challenging than it needed to be, but the project was completed to the satisfaction of the tenant and developer.

The overall project value, including sitework, was just under \$5 Million

If you have any questions regarding Darlind, and their performance, please feel free to contact me directly.

Yours/truly,

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