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RE: Letter of Recommendation, MB Contractors

To Whom It May Concern:

MB Contractors recently completed a 6,000 square foot up-fit on the second floor of the Riverside 1 building on the Carilion Clinic Riverside Campus just off Jefferson Street in Roanoke, Virginia. The up-fit consisted of administrative offices, three class rooms, a student study area, amenity spaces, storage area, and an audio-visual closet. The cost of the work was approximately \$650,000. The new Translational Biology, Medicine and Health (TBMH) graduate program at Virginia Tech will lease the space from Carilion Clinic. I was responsible for managing the up-fit on behalf of the TBMH program and Virginia Tech.

MB Contractors did an excellent job and completed the work one month ahead of schedule. The cost of the work was negotiated up front based on schematic level drawings. Their cost was fair and reasonable. There was only one minor change order that was a result of differing conditions from what was shown on the as-built building plans. MB Contractors worked closely and cooperatively with Virginia Tech's audio-visual (A/V) supplier, Lee Hartman, for the A/V rough-ins. Coordination of the subcontractors was seamless. The work area was kept clean at all times and there was minimal impact to the tenants that occupied other areas of the building. The project manager and superintendent were competent and very professional. It was a pleasure to work with MB Contractors on such an important project that will benefit many Virginia Tech graduate students in the future.

Please feel free to contact me directly if you need any additional information concerning MB Contractors qualifications and capabilities.

Sincerely,

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