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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This reference letter is to state that I am very pleased with the services The Siben Consult, LLC provided to Freese and Nichols, Inc. (FNI) in the development of our Qualification Statements for the City of Houston.

Bernie was flexible and helpful as we debated how many responses to make and for which project groupings, and ultimately produced four strong, professional SOQs in about a week's time. He managed both the research and the production smoothly, working seamlessly with our staff, meeting all of our deadlines.

In the end, two of the four SOQs were short-listed and we were pleased to have Bernie come back to prepare the proposals. This was the first time we were short-listed with the City of Houston. Based on the quality of our submittals, the City of Houston now knows our credentials and we are better positioned for future work.

Overall, Bernie prepared six SOQs for FNI during the fall of 2004 and four of them were short-listed. The Siben Consult, LLC, has demonstrated their quality, service and customer focus, which have resulted in a satisfied client.

FNI looks forward to a long and strong relationship with The Siben Consult, LLC.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alan Greer', is written over the typed name.

Alan D. Greer, PE
Regional Vice President