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Letter of Reference – Keitu Engineers & Consultants, Inc.

At their request of Keitu Engineers & Consultants, Inc., I am happy to provide this letter of reference. Mor-Gran-Sou Electric Cooperative, Inc. has employed the services of this Mandan based firm intermittently over the past several years. Our most recent contract with Keitu has involved technical assistance in evaluating disposal options for debris associated with the downing of over 8000 electrical power distribution poles and associated insulators and other pole appliances, as a result of the 2010 Good Friday blizzard.

One unique aspect of the project involved a timely response to a transformer oil spill resulting from the storm. Despite the unexpected nature of the call, Keitu shuffled it staff and deployed two 40-hour HAZWOPER trained personnel to isolate the spill, assess its impact and develop an acceptable remediation alternative approved by the ND Department of Health. Their experience in the state allowed them to recommend the application of a new bioremediation soil amendment to treat the oil spill "in-situ," thus avoiding the great cost to remove and transport the soil to a landfill and backfilling and reseeding the soil. Their commitment to look for cost effective solutions cannot be under-rated. They were also responsible to prepare reports for the incident which were submitted to the ND Department of Health, as well as FEMA. This project is expected to wind up in June or early July 2010.

I welcome this opportunity to support a Mandan based business and hope to assist Keitu Engineers and Consultants, Inc. in expanding their staff and their efforts to retain or return North Dakota college graduates to good paying jobs in our state.

I will be out of the area through May 24 but upon my return I will be available to discuss Keitu's participation in our projects at your convenience. I can be contacted at (701) 663-0297 at our Mandan Service Center.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Kelly", with a checkmark at the end of the signature.

Robert Kelly, PE
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