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RE: 125 West Monroe Project - Crown Equipment

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure and without reservation that I endorse H.A. Dorsten Inc. for the "Associated Builders and Contractors" annual award. The H.A. Dorsten team has demonstrated a level of excellence, professionalism, and adaptability to the challenges of constructing Crown Equipment's new 44,000 square foot office addition to the historic Boesel Opera House building.

H.A. Dorsten has been an excellent partner with Crown Equipment throughout the entire project. Starting with the cleanup of the Boesel Opera House, damaged by a fire on February 25, 2012, to the completion of the (3) three story office addition on November 28, 2014.

Additionally, there were several difficult and complex elements associated with the design and construction of the office building complex. The first being the use of "View" Dynamic Glass on the exterior façade of the office addition. The electrodynamic glass is controlled by sensors on each elevation of the building. The sensors tint the glass automatically, depending on the amount of sunlight on each particular elevation. This environmentally friendly construction and design element made the project especially challenging. The other two unique architectural elements to the building were the use of an historic stone doorway arch from an 1888 mansion around the buildings front entrance, and the use of a marble tile savaged from the historic New Bremen Hotel Bar on the lobby floor. H.A. Dorsten accepted these building challenges with professionalism and a willingness to get this project completed in a timely manner.

The entire H.A. Dorsten staff exhibited patience, extraordinary diligence, and a commitment to success throughout the entire project. I would highly recommend them for the "Associated Builders and Contractors" Award".

Sincerely,

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