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October 16, 2013

Mr. Michael Green
Superintendent
Woodland School District No. 404
800 3rd Street
Woodland, WA 98674

Re: *Woodland High School Phase 2 – Contract Award Recommendation*

Dear Michael,

On Wednesday, October 9, 2013, the Woodland School District accepted bids for Phase 2 of the new Woodland High School project. Four bids were received. The lowest base bid was from Skanska USA Building from Portland Oregon. Their base bid amount of \$42,300,000 was just below our project estimate of \$42,369,606. The bid also included several alternative bid items that could influence the determination of the lowest bid, however in any combination of alternates and base bid Skanska still provided the lowest overall bid. We have reviewed their bid form and noted no irregularities and therefore find Skanska's bid to be responsive.

Subsequent to the opening of bids Skanska submitted their Contractor's Qualification Statement, a copy of which has already been forwarded to the District. That information confirms that they do have the requisite qualifications for this project. We have checked with the State Department of Labor and Industries and confirmed that they are licensed and bonded and that they have no outstanding violations or claims pending. We have also spoken to some of their references, including Sue Steinbrenner with the Evergreen School District and Rick Rainone with the Philomath School District in Oregon. Both have worked with Skanska on multiple school projects and both provided extremely positive reviews of their working relationship. They spoke highly of Skanska's organization, the level of staffing on projects, management of subs, and overall focus on the quality of the end product. Based on the information available to us at this time we believe Skanska to be a responsible contractor.

Having found Skanska USA Building to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder it is our recommendation that the District award them the contract for the Woodland High School for the base bid amount of \$42,300,000 plus any alternates that the District elects to include.

Sincerely,

McGranahan Architects


Christopher J. Lilley, AIA
Principal