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Subject: Recognition of Outstanding Performance on Oregon State Capitol CAMS III Project

Dear Brandon, Jim, and Tim, Andrew and Dave,

I am writing to express Hoffman Construction's sincere appreciation and recognize the exceptional performance of your crews on the Oregon State Capitol CAMS III project from June 2022 through November 2025. The dedication and skill demonstrated by your team were instrumental in the successful completion of this complex electrical renovation of the State Capitol.

For the Cherry City Team, led by Brandon McClain, Cole Westmoreland, and Matt Silbernagel in the field, and by Jim Hamilton from your main office, for Cache Valley led by Anthony Myers and Salem Fire Alarm by Marcus Umstead, your teams demonstrated remarkable resilience and ingenuity in overcoming significant project challenges. These included a demanding schedule, substantial design hurdles, and the complexities of working within difficult existing conditions. The electrical scope—from demolition and removal of existing systems, coordinating ongoing power and lighting requirements during construction, accommodating several live Legislative Sessions, to final system installation—was incredibly demanding. Your team brought detailed planning, significant flexibility, and field ingenuity to accommodate multiple workarounds, coordinate power shutdowns, and integrate new equipment installation while modernizing the iconic 1938 Capitol Building.

Despite numerous obstacles, Cherry City Electric and Sub-tiers achieved a truly impressive feat: installing 63 miles of conduit, 208 miles of wire, 19,290 feet of strut, 29,673 electrical junction boxes, 4,681 light fixtures, and 2,915 lighting control devices, while upgrading all electrical, fire life safety, and data/telecommunications equipment and systems throughout the historic structure.

Having attended nearly every subcontractor coordination meeting, I witnessed firsthand the daily challenges Brandon and Jim faced. Their unwavering commitment to delivering project



requirements on time, combined with well-planned and efficient execution, was truly commendable. While a healthy project inevitably involves stress, tension, and challenges, Brandon's calm, steady demeanor and positive approach were instrumental in achieving project goals and ensuring successful completion.

Hoffman Construction is particularly pleased to acknowledge the contributions of the following key personnel in addition to Brandon McClain's significant involvement:

Matt Silbernagel – General Foreman – Matt managed all CCE operations on the concourse/interstitial level from underground excavation through final trim out, including equipment installation in electrical rooms and key areas. His attention to detail and experience provided tremendous benefit to the project.

Cole Westmoreland – Foreman – Cole was critical to project lighting overall and assumed a much larger role covering everything from Level 1 upward during the latter half of the project. He managed easily the most challenging scope on the project given the variety and complexity from a lighting standpoint. Brandon relied on him heavily and couldn't have succeeded without him.

Adrian Mack – Foreman – Adrian served as field foreman under Matt on the concourse and interstitial levels. He was a key component of that team, handling daily crew logistics.

Aaron Lindquist – Foreman – Aaron handled all specialized systems scopes, including door/security controls, fire alarm, and low voltage—all the intricate areas of CCE's work.

Trenton Johnson – Journeyman Wireman – Trent spent considerable time in a field manager role running the power side of upper floors on CAMS 3 and covered the majority of garage scope dating back to CAMS 2. He has been a great team player for CCE and a valuable project asset.

Jim Hamilton – Project Manager – Jim provided significant value guiding project cost and budgeting, involved from pre-construction through completion. Both CCE and the overall project benefited from Jim's consistency as PM.

Eric Martin – BIM – Eric was the lead BIM engineer on CAMS 3. He spearheaded front-end success ahead of installation and was vital to field success.

Anthony Myers – Cache Valley Electric – Installed all tele/data, cell DAS, emergency DAS, and AV systems.

Marcus Umstead – Salem Fire Alarm – Marcus completed a full building-wide fire alarm upgrade including speaker strobes, upgraded FACP, and VESDA systems.

Garrett Moore – Foreman – Garrett was a versatile contributor covering everything from BIM coordination and equipment installation to project engineer tasks when needed, filling many gaps throughout the project.



Braden Chapman – Journeyman Wireman – Braden worked on upper floor power distribution, exceeding expectations. He also worked on kitchen equipment and was vital to installations on both Level 3 and the concourse.

Brady Weikel – Journeyman Wireman – Brady installed fire alarm, door security/controls, and data pathway rough-in.

Brad Mangum – Journeyman Wireman – Brad served as foreman on CAMS 2 and transitioned back to the field for CAMS 3, performing lighting and lighting control installation.

Riley Breckenridge – Journeyman Wireman – Though a recent journeyman wireman, Riley was vital to lighting and lighting control installation.

The level of work, collaboration, and teamwork required to achieve these project goals safely and efficiently was truly extraordinary. We congratulate Cherry City Electric, Cache Valley Electric, and Salem Fire Alarm on their grit, determination, and perseverance throughout this demanding project. Thank you for your close partnership with Hoffman Construction. A job well done!

Sincerely,

Kevin Cady
Project Manager

Cc: Tony Johnson – Hoffman Construction
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