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**RE: The Wakefield Corporation – Recommendation Letter for the Tombras Building HQ - Knoxville**

Dear Sir or Madam:

Sanders Pace Architecture respectfully submits this letter regarding The Wakefield Corporation's (TWC) work, performance and execution precision on the Tombras Group's new Corporate Headquarters in Downtown Knoxville, Tennessee. Sanders Pace Architecture has worked with the Tombras Group for the past 9 years on their renovation projects at other locations and when the possibility of this project became a reality, the team members became obvious to successfully re-envision their entire building for their new corporate headquarters.

TWC became a team member immediately following the selection of the General Contractor, Johnson and Galyon Inc. In the true spirit of being designated a 'team' member even prior to contract, they were very willing to be a part of the project pre-planning efforts even during our design phases. TWC helped our design team develop new building envelope details that had never been accomplished within our region due to our specific product selections along with the existing building constraints. The complexity in some of these instances required the coordination and cooperation of numerous trades of which they organized as a part of their services without hesitation.


The project's successes stem directly from their involvement also on the interior of the building. They worked enthusiastically with the numerous vendors and adapted to owner specific coordination items during construction.

Just as they have done over the past 16 years that we have worked with them, TWC has worked with us without complaint to deliver a quality product on time and within the negotiated budget for the work being prescribed.

I would sincerely appreciate your consideration for their submittal and it would be a great pleasure for all to see them recognized for their extraordinary efforts. If there is any question regarding our recommendation, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

**SANDERS PACE** ARCHITECTURE



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