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Justin Hiatt Eckstine Electric Company 13739 W.C.R. 25.5 Platteville, CO 80651

RE: Letter of Appreciation

Dear Justin,

This letter is to express our sincerest appreciation for the value that Eckstine brings to every construction project. It has been my pleasure to work with Eckstine personally for 15 years on many projects. Two of the most complex projects, the City of Loveland WWTP BNR and Digester Improvements Project and the City of Greeley Wastewater Treatment and Reclamation Facility Nitrification Project, would not have been successful without the cooperation of you and your team at Eckstine Electric Company.

The City of Loveland WWTP BNR and Digester Improvements Project was conducted in 3 phases beginning at the start of 2017 and was completed in the fourth quarter of 2019. Eckstine Electric Company had a critical role in the project. The total construction cost was \$35 million, of which Eckstine's scope totaled \$6 million. Justin, your idea of using a temporary shed to house relocated electrical equipment so that the plant could keep running while you took care of major electrical upgrades reduced the construction cost and schedule. Plus, the way you and your General Foreman Aaron Davison were able to alternate the relocation and re-use of the existing Aeration Lift Pump VFDs allowed for a tremendous savings in bypass pumping costs and risk. These are just two examples of the creative thinking that Eckstine provided to reduce the cost to the City and reduce risk to the plant.

The City of Greeley Wastewater Treatment and Reclamation Facility Nitrification Project had multiple phases over the course of 2020 to 2023. The total construction cost was \$30 million, of which Eckstine's Scope was \$5 million. Your input during preconstruction allowed for better constructability, a more efficient schedule, and you provided savings of \$1,097,194 in Value Engineering options. During construction, the dedication of your crew to completing this job on time, led by Ben Edge, was clear as Eckstine worked in freezing conditions to accomplish an on-time startup of the new Aeration Basin train. Numerous electrical shutdowns had to be completed to revamp the plant. Your coordination with lab staff to ensure that they had temporary power to run their dishwasher while upgrading the electrical in the Administration Building proves that Eckstine cares about every detail. Additions to the main electrical gear took months of your effort to coordinate with Xcel, Eaton, and the Plant Staff shows how Eckstine's dedication to safety and planning is above all others. The way you planned, sequenced, and executed multiple upgrades, such as the replacement of the Influent Pump VFDs and RAS Pump VFDs one by one, and several PLC replacements, proves Eckstine's commitment to quality and excellence.

We do not hesitate to give Eckstine Electric the highest recommendation for any water and wastewater treatment plant regardless of size and complexity.

Sincerely,

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