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To Whom It May Concern:

I am delighted to provide a letter of recommendation for Fitzpatrick Architects (FA), the firm responsible for designing Wood County Electric Cooperative's new headquarters.

Our project presented unique challenges relative to our efforts as an electric cooperative. It was imperative that our new spaces operate efficiently for employees' specific job functions, but more importantly we required effective public spaces to efficiently serve our customers. As an electric cooperative, we also wanted to ensure the building was designed to maximize energy efficiencies and that it incorporated best use of sustainable materials. Additionally, we wanted our building to convey modern attributes, without being out of place in our small town. And, all of this needed to work well within our planned budget.

From the beginning of our project, it was evident that the entire team at FA listened well to our input and worked hard to insure functional areas and aesthetically pleasing public and private spaces. For our facilities the project architect who oversaw the job from concept to completion was Brandy Ziegler. But, because FA operates in an open studio, our project received the benefit of collaboration from all six partners at the firm. Each meeting with their team brought clear progress and a refinement to the design of our building.

From the first pencil sketches on paper to the precise computer models and renderings, and then throughout the building process, FA consulted our staff to ensure proof of concept. Ultimately, they infused our building with the thoughtful application of modern finishes, coatings, hardware, furniture, decorations, and building materials. As a final outcome, we were presented with a beautifully designed and planned facility that should serve us well for years to come.

Without reservation I'd recommend FA to any business or institution that desires working with a professional, efficient, cost conscious, courteous, and adept team.

Sincerely,

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