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To Whom It May Concern,

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and HHSDR have been under agreement for Open Ended Professional Design Services since 2008. Their firm has assisted us with programmatic and space planning, cost estimating and design services, and construction administration for several projects.

The first of these resulted in a new 130-seat lecture hall and studio production suite with support spaces, converted from a former gymnasium in one of our older campus buildings. Completed in time for the fall 2011 semester, the facility fulfilled several needs outlined in our campus master plan. The Department of Communication and Media Studies now has state-of-the-art video production capabilities, and its relocation to the lecture hall integrates teaching and learning with multi-media more effectively. The Department of Psychology now has a space sufficient for large-group classes, having outgrown its former space, and the same opportunity exists for other departments. Also, the University can use this space for special functions, such as presentations being broadcast into the facility or from it to remote locations.

We have continued to work with HHSDR to find solutions to the ongoing challenge of allocating and structuring space efficiently to serve the needs of several competing academic departments. To that end, the firm completed three studies, two of which will result in renovations to two classroom buildings: the first phase of renovations to accommodate our growing ROTC program, and a small lecture hall and teaching lab at one of our Education buildings. A third study of an educational support building on our Porreco Campus will enhance that building's ability to provide small-group, computer-based seminar classes. All three projects have continued into the preparation of construction documents. The design schedule is being fast-tracked to accommodate an aggressive construction time line that coordinates with the University's calendar for the fall 2012 semester.

Sincerely,

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