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RE: REFERENCE LETTER

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Quincy, IL is a thriving community focused on the development and redevelopment efforts of affordable housing within the community. The Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP), a grant apart of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008, offers a unique financing tool to assist the City of Quincy (and others) in revitalizing portions of the community to meet our development needs

The City of Quincy engaged Mecca Companies, Inc to coordinate all administrative efforts on the city's request for NSP funds in April of 2009. The proposed developments consisted of housing for extremely low to very low families, low-income seniors, extremely low-income housing for the disabled, low-income women within domestic violence counseling and homeownership options for individuals at or below 120% of the Area Median Income.

Mecca Companies was responsible for all NSP grant application coordination. Responsibilities included: grant management, assessment of blighted and/or vacant structures, applicable construction budgets, development team coordination and application preparation. If the city is a recipient of the funds Mecca will serve as the program administer (including creating and evaluating RFP's) and construction manager

On behalf of the City of Quincy, IL I would recommend Mecca Companies as a valuable consultant for any entity interested in revitalization development needs. In my personal experience with their organization they have provided superior service and exceeded expectations.

If there are any questions please don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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Planning Director