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Mr. Jeff Peterson  
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Dear Jeff,

This letter is long overdue but the sentiments about your work on the boathouse. Please feel free to use this letter as needed to help secure projects for Peterson Architects.

When the University of Kansas set out to build a boathouse for its women's rowing program, we wanted to ensure that we hired a firm who would understand our programming needs, such as: designing a building that would function well for our student-athletes and for city government, as the boathouse resides on their property. Perhaps most important was the need for the building to be a beautiful work of architecture. Recognizing that there is limited boathouse experience in the mid-west the search was national. After a lengthy search we were fortunate to find and hire Peterson Architects.

We were cognizant that distance might become a factor in the timeliness of our design but having Peterson Architects a part of our team was more important. With Peterson coordinating the programming and design and our local firm managing the city and construction details it was perfectly clear that distance was no issue. Jeff personally handled any situation and his professionalism and attention to details was, in my opinion, perfect. This is supported by the fact that we had no problems with this project; a rare occurrence.

Now that the project is totally complete, I have no regrets but only compliments on the job and manner by which the job was complete. I have had the pleasure of managing over \$500M in athletic projects and this by far was most smooth. Much of that is a result of Peterson Architects and the man who owns it, Jeff Peterson.

It is without hesitation that I would hire Peterson Architects for another project and I would be happy to share my thoughts with perspective Peterson clients.

Sincerely,

Sean R. Lester  
Associate Director of Athletics