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To whom it may concern,

RE: MALCOLM DAVIES & SONS 3 FFORDD MON, RHOSDDU, WREXHAM, LL11 2LH

I have been asked if I would be prepared to write a brief testimonial on behalf of the above company and declare my opinions as to their competence as contractors and whether I would recommend them for employment on Building Contracts in the future.

This I unhesitatingly will do as I have found Malcolm and his team to be unquestionably one of the most consistently competent and quietly efficient firms of General Building Contractors I have ever dealt with in my over forty years in Architecture. Although I have only been fortunate to know them in the last ten years.

They have got on with some tricky projects, sometimes on very difficult sites, and done so with the very minimum of fuss, and moreover economically, whilst preserving good relations with the client and also with neighbours to the site, sometimes against much local hostility when a project has been subject to local opposition.

I have been frequently impressed with how they have efficiently liased with statutory bodies, local authorities, traffic authorities, building inspectors, sub-contractors, suppliers, etc. in a timely and well-anticipated way, and also how cleanly and tidily the have organised their sites, sometimes where the site restrictions have been particularly tight. Their quality of workmanship also has been consistently impressive.

I am always happy to know, after winning a contract, that I shall be working with Malcolm Davies once again because it is a relief to know I can trust his company to get on with the job without causing me personally any hassle or unnecessary problems!

Projects with which I have been involved with this company include:

<u>Block of six apartments off Hoole Road, Chester.</u> Very difficult and tight site where the building commenced immediately at the back of pavement line and extended to the full width with no access from the rear.

<u>Conversion of Victorian building into 24 Student's Flats, Hoole Road, Chester</u> Complex renovation work as well as conversion work.

<u>Large new extension to Nursing Home, Knutsford</u> This was an important prestige contract for a number of reasons, primarily due to its prominent location, and involved quite a lot of specialist technology of a medical nature which Malcolm and his team handled extremely well.

<u>Block of six luxury apartments, Curzon Park area of Chester</u> Very high quality flats in a very sensitive area from the conservation point of view. Much opposition from neighbours throughout construction which Malcolm handled with great tact and diplomacy.

<u>Private Houses</u> Numerous individual private house projects in which consistently clients have reported back to me how cooperative and helpful Malcolm's team have been throughout their project sometimes involving a house still being lived-in while it was demolished and rebuilt all around them. To date I have not had a dissatisfied client.

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