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To Whom It May Concern:

John Russell Batchelder was employed as a project manager by Ridge Builders Group in 2000 and 2001 while I was President \ CEO of Ridge Builders Group Inc (RBGI). RBGI was a residential \ commercial developer and general contractor located in Davis, California.

While John was employed by RBGI he successfully managed a wide variety of commercial and residential construction projects in Davis. As a project manager John's responsibilities included: (1) coordinating design development with clients and architects and other design professionals; (2) creating conceptual project budgets for clients, designers and lenders; (3) soliciting bids from subcontractors and suppliers; (4) creating project schedules for clients and subcontractors; (5) selecting subcontractors and suppliers; (6) coordinating execution of subcontracts and purchase orders; (7) scheduling and coordinating subcontractors and suppliers to ensure smooth completion of projects, (8) coordinating all necessary special inspections, city inspections and bank inspections; (9) maintaining client relationships during the construction phase of the projects; (10) coordinating move in and warranty services for project clients.

John proved time and again that through a thorough bidding process he could obtain the most competitive bids from the most qualified subcontractors and suppliers for the projects he managed. While working for Ridge Builders Group John competently used the full MS Office suite set of programs as well as MS Project. He was also instrumental in updating the Ridge Builders Group Inc web site to ensure that the web site created the most positive impression while it was being browsed by web visitors.

With his extensive experience in construction management and real estate, John Batchelder is a very capable professional who could contribute a great deal to a construction or real estate related business.

If you have any further questions or if I can be of any further assistance please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

**VW** Construction

Larry VonWald

Owner