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Thomas B. Gibson, P.E.
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Re: Tampa Contracting Services, Inc.

Dear Mr. Gibson,

This correspondence is intended to document Environmental Research & Design, Inc.'s (ERD) work history and experiences with construction projects associated with Tampa Contracting Services, Inc. (TCS). ERD as the Engineer of Record has been associated with numerous projects where TCS is the primary contractor. Of these, perhaps the closest project to the City of St. Petersburg is the *McKay Bay – Eastshore Commerce Park Parcel Stormwater Retrofit Project*, which is located in Tampa and completed in late 2006.

In review of ERD's vast construction experience, our encounters with TCS have been very positive as compared to other contractors. TCS has demonstrated work competence, attention to detail, and the ability to work with the project team to resolve unexpected issues that invariably arise during construction. ERD would recommend them for any future construction projects you have planned.

Should you have any question or comments, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'H. Wayne Harper'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

H. Wayne Harper, P.E.
Senior Project Manager