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Colleen,

On behalf of the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission (the Commission) and its staff, I have received ACEC Indiana's letter of support, requesting that Mr. Don Corson be considered for appointment as the professionally licensed engineer representative on the Commission's code update exploratory committee. Please advised that Robin Nicoson has resigned from his position as the chairman of the Commission, and now Michael Popich, former vice chairman of the Commission, will serve as interim chairman of the Commission until Governor Holcomb officially appoints a new chairman. I've included Chairman Popich on this message, and I've also copied Philp Gordon, Deputy Attorney General and Legal Counsel to the Commission. Our IDHS commission staff will review Mr. Corson's credentials in consultation with Chairman Popich, as well as any additional requests for appointment to the exploratory committee over the next few weeks, before we propose recommendations to the Commission, likely at the Commission's next scheduled meeting in January. We will be sure to reach out if we have any specific questions or concerns in the meantime.

Sincerely,

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Chairman, Members of the Commission and Liaison Staff,

Please find the attached letter of support for **Don Corson, PE, SE**, to serve as the Professional Engineer representative on an Exploratory Committee regarding code updates, at the will of the Fire Prevention & Building Safety Commission. The American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) of Indiana, which represents over 100 consulting engineering firms and over 4,500 employees statewide, supports the appointment of Mr. Corson for reasons outlined in the attached letter. Please reach out should you have any questions.

Colleen Torres

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Chairman, Members of the Commission and Liaison Staff,

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The American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) of Indiana supports the appointment of Mr. Don Corson, PE, SE, to serve as the Professional Engineer representative on an Exploratory Committee regarding code updates at the will of the Fire Prevention & Building Safety Commission. ACEC Indiana represents over 100 consulting engineering firms in the state of Indiana, which include over 4,500 employees statewide and Mr. Corson currently chairs the Vertical Committee, focused on matters relating to the mechanical, electrical, plumbing and structural disciplines.

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Mr. Corson has served on the ACEC Indiana Vertical Committee for 5 years and the Indiana Structural Engineers Association (ISEA) Government Relations Committee, where he served as chair. As an advocate for public safety, Mr. Corson has written a number of publications that focus on current Indiana codes and the implications for Hoosiers. Mr. Corson strongly grasps the current status of Indiana codes as well as opportunities for updates from the International Code Committee. Additionally, Mr. Corson holds a Professional Engineer license in six surrounding states to provide insight on codes used in other states. More experience and background on Mr. Corson is provided in the attached resume.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael A. Rowe".

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BIO AND EXPERIENCE

Don is responsible for structural engineering from concept phase to completion of construction and has led structural efforts on projects ranging in size from a few thousand dollars to over \$750 million in construction cost. He has decades of experience working with owners, design teams and construction managers from the earliest stages of projects to help develop cost-efficient and constructible design concepts. He understands that interdisciplinary collaboration is critical to project success. Having worked for a contractor and a structural products manufacturer early in his career, Don developed a unique perspective on how designers' decisions impact others on the team. His experience working on more than 100 design-build projects has given him a clear understanding of the importance of practical, constructible designs.

In his current position, Don oversees structural design and production of contract drawings and specifications, including performance of quality control and constructability reviews, and reviews for interdisciplinary coordination. He provides senior leadership and mentoring of a staff of structural engineers and development of his firm's structural engineering standards, practices, and library of construction details. Don has designed structures using structural steel, reinforced concrete, precast concrete, masonry, cold-formed steel, and structural wood framing in accordance with provisions of the latest applicable building codes and related standards.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering, 1983,
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

LICENSE AND CERTIFICATIONS

Primary Registration: Professional Engineer
- Indiana
Additional Registrations: Professional Engineer
- Michigan, Kentucky, North Carolina, Ohio,
Missouri, Minnesota; Structural Engineer - Illinois

MEMBERSHIPS

American Concrete Institute (ACI)
Indiana Chapter ACI Board of Directors,
2008-2015
Indiana Chapter ACI President, 2012/2013,
2015/2016; Vice-President 2014/2015
American Council of Engineering Companies
(ACEC-Indiana)
Vertical Committee Member, 2016-Present
Vertical Committee Chair, 2020/2021
Indiana Structural Engineers Association (ISEA)
Government Relations Committee Chair, 2015

LEADERSHIP ROLES

Chief Engineer – Canam Steel Corporation
Lafayette Plant – 1988-89
Structural Engineering Manager – Gibraltar Design
– 1996-1999
Structural Group Leader – American
Structurepoint – 2005-2018

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

*“Special Inspections: What Are They and How
Should They Be Administered?”* Presentation
at 2012 Civil Engineering Professional
Development Seminar (CEPDS) at Purdue
University, November, 2012
*“Structural Tests and Inspections: A Guideline for
Indiana Professional Engineers”* Joint ASCE-
Indiana / ACEC-Indiana / ISEA Publication,
March, 2013
*“Special Inspections and the Indiana Building
Code”* Presentation at 2019 Civil Engineering
Professional Development Seminar (CEPDS) at
Purdue University, November, 2019