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Dear Mr Grove

MELBOURNE 2006 COMMONWEALTH GAMES: A MOMENT OF REFLECTION

I am writing to thank you for the support provided in making the Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games the outstanding success that it was.

The sport, the venues, the cultural program and every town, city and suburb all worked together to create an amazing and unforgettable experience. The Games were an event that united us like no other before it and showcased to the world our strengths as a community as well as the incredible diversity that makes up our State.

The delivery of infrastructure for the Games was to a very high standard and has left a positive legacy for the way we manage and deliver future major events in this State.

Please pass on my gratitude to members of your organisation for the contribution they have made to the success of the Athletes' Village for the Games.

Yours sincerely

JUSTIN MADDEN MLC
Minister for Commonwealth Games

3rd May 2006

Mr Stephen Grove
GROVE
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Dear Stephen,

Re: Commonwealth Games Athletes Village – Parkville

We write to thank you and all your employees for the outstanding work undertaken on the Commonwealth Games Athletes Village Project, in the design, construction, transportation and installation of the demountable housing units. The timeframe and magnitude of works undertaken by your company was a challenge for both of our companies in achieving, not only Practical Completion, but a functional and aesthetically pleasing environment for 6000 athletes and officials to enjoy during the 2006 Melbourne Commonwealth Games.

Grove excelled in meeting all requests and deadlines, and were a pleasure to do business with, both physically and financially.

The responsiveness, cooperation and “can do attitude” of all Grove employees was a large part of the success of the project accommodation. Of particular importance to us as the client, was the attitude displayed by your self, one of understanding and willingness to provide VPC with a product to achieve our desired outcome. This attitude was evident from our first meeting at tender time to the last day of installation of the demountables. With Sean and yourself project managing all aspects of the work on site, the works were well co-ordinated and well managed.

Please find attached a copy of a letter from John Lade – M2006 Villages Group Manager passing on praise from the Commonwealth Games Federation and some of the associated teams.

Once again we would like to thank you and your employees for your efforts. We look forward to working with your company again in the future.

Yours sincerely



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Sean Kelly
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Dear Sean,

It is with great pleasure that I am able to provide a reference in relation to the Grove Group's performance as supplier for the portable accommodation buildings supplied for the Commonwealth Games athlete's village.

I can confidently say that Grove has exceeded the expectations of Major Projects Victoria in the manufacturing quality and timely supply of the buildings.

The efficiency of the Grove manufacturing process was proven and exceeded Major Projects Victoria's expectations with the early delivery of the buildings without compromising quality

Grove's professional approach and proven manufacturing capacity was a major factor in the awarding of the contract to Grove as delays in supply or quality problems could have resulted in catastrophic outcomes for the project.

Grove's ongoing assistance in the resale of the buildings and commitment to supporting its product has also added considerable value to the project.

I am pleased to recommend Grove as a supplier of relocatable buildings on the basis of it's depth of experience, capacity to manufacture significant numbers of buildings up against tight delivery schedules and delivery of a quality product.

I would be pleased to personally discuss any aspects of the project with Groves prospective clients.

Yours sincerely

David Hodge
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