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To whom it may concern

Reference for Mr George Abraham

My professional association with George Abraham of George Andary and Company Pty Ltd has now spanned almost two years.

During that time I have found George to be an excellent project manager, in that he has endeavoured at all times, often under severe constraints, to bring about the much needed beneficial change to the premises allocated to CET at Level 5, Wentworth Building.

The CET Project involved the refurbishment works to Level 5 of the Wentworth Building, including 11 new classrooms, staff accommodation and amenities, audio visual installation to all classrooms, a computer Lab, new building infrastructure works and the upgrading of existing building infrastructure. The Project Value was approximately \$2.2M.

His amenable and conciliatory style, while always being alert to the necessity of outcomes within tight time frameworks and absolute dedication to optimising and integrating inputs to meet pre-defined objectives is to be commended. The notion that there were carefully defined sets of activities using resources (money, people, materials, energy space and effective communication) which needed to be achieved were always utmost in his mind throughout the project which entailed the complete refurbishment of an entire floor.

His cost estimations were accurate to a high degree. His capacity to work collaboratively with the architect, builders and other contractors assisted in making a difficult task much smoother.

Constraints involving the separate ownership of the building in which CET operates proved complex and might have delayed the sought outcomes. However, George was able, with a high degree of tact, diplomacy and the capacity to transmit urgency to minimise costly delays which would have effected our operation.

The traditional project management constraints of time, cost and scope appear to have been well managed with George being able to sustain the pace of work. His management of the project overall ensured that there was minimal time delay – an important aspect of the scope in the CET circumstances where it was imperative that there be a smooth and on time transition from one location to the new site.

I have no hesitation in commending George for any further project management activity. He has the skill, style and effectiveness in achieving objectives in a realistic and cost effective manner to produce desired outcomes within specified scoping and timing.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours

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