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Mr. Ken Behrendt, President

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Dear Ken,

Greetings and thank you for your interest in opening an operations center in the Pierre/Ft. Pierre area community. I mentioned area, as our community is more then just the city of Pierre. This is something that I would hope you have learned during your visits to Pierre.

I am one of the State Representatives who represent this area in the South Dakota Legislature. I was born and raised in Pierre, but spent approximately 15 years of my adult life living in other communities throughout South Dakota. During those years I looked forward to the day that I could relocate to my home town. I have found many other current residents, who also moved from Pierre after their high school years, but have returned because of the quality of life that Pierre and the surrounding communities have to offer.

More importantly, I have met many residents who have moved here after they have completed their education, obtained jobs and are now raising their families. Quality of life is recognized as an important issue when someone decides to put down roots in a community. With the abundant recreational activities that are available, the quality of the schools or the over all friendliness of the residents, Pierre ranks second to none when it comes to quality of life.

Your business relies on dedicated, hard working employees. Pierre relies on citizens who take pride in the community, their family and in their careers. You can be assured that the type of employee that your firm wants to employ would welcome an opportunity to pursue their career in the Pierre/Ft. Pierre area.

I am thankful that you are considering my hometown in your search for a location to open a new operations center. I am available to address any concerns or questions you may have about the Pierre/Ft. Pierre area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "T. Rounds", written over a horizontal line.

Representative Tim Rounds