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Mr. John Merrill
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RE: U. S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Lease Project, Greensboro, NC

Dear Mr. Merrill:

This correspondence responds to your June 30, 2006 inquiry concerning the status of this project as a firm action that will move forward.

As I have advised on numerous occasions and wanted to reiterate, this particular project is an endeavor which was approved by the U.S. General Services Administration as a "sole-source" procurement based upon the unique requirements provided by the NRCS and after extensive review, analysis, and decision under the rigorous and prevailing Federal procurement guidelines. As such, we have been working and are committed to diligently pursuing satisfaction of the NRCS' need for space to be located on the campus of North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University through a negotiated lease procurement and construction of a code complaint facility that will meet all interested parties needs.

As I am aware this is a joint project of North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro (both part of the UNC System) under memorandum of agreement with the NRCS. In our efforts to satisfy the NRCS' need, we are also appreciative of an effort to collaborate in a manner and venture which will allow in small part the realization of leveraging the physical and intellectual assets of both universities for the benefit of the faculty, staff, and students as well as your community and the State of North Carolina.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. GSA is strongly committed to the highest levels of customer service and client satisfaction. If there are questions, please contact me on (704) 344-6196, Ext.18.

Sincerely,

Kevin Holland Contracting Officer

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