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To Whom it May Concern

I have worked with Mike McGurk twice on construction projects when he was working as Construction Manager with Yarnell Pty Ltd. At the time I was Senior Maritime Engineer at the Department of Transport with the role of Project Director and Superintendent under AS 2124 for two the contracts with Yarnell.

The first contract for approximately \$1.6 million was the construction of a weir and rock revetments at Bandy Creek Boat Harbour, Esperance. Mike was on site for most of the contract period and managed it with diligence and enthusiasm. The project was completed on time and budget and was of high quality.

The second contract for approximately \$1.4 million was the construction of a sheet piled wharf at the Kalbarri Commercial Boating Precinct. The project had a number of problems including dewatering, and inundation due to high storm surges caused by cyclones. Mike worked his way through these issues and came up with practical ways of completing the contract even though the problems caused delays, and extra work and costs for the contractor. It was a difficult contract and Mike showed that he had strength and fortitude to work through the issues and finish the contract. I left the Department of Transport prior to the completion of the project so cannot comment on the final quality achieved.

I can strongly recommend Mike McGurk as a thorough, diligent and knowledgeable contract manager who delivers high quality projects in a very professional manner.

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