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Jeff Marin BA, ASCT
Project Director,
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Dear Jeff:

Re: 337 West Pender – Pacific Coast Apartments

Coast Mental Health is very pleased to write this letter of reference in support of Van Mar Constructors and the full scope of work the provided to help us get the 96 unit supported apartment building at 337 West Pender opened on May 2nd, one time, under budget, and with exceptional workmanship.

This building had many challenges to overcome:

- 9 story concrete building on a constrained site
- Piloting a small suite design that had 46 units built at 225 sq. ft.
- Dense inner-city site
- Olympics
- “Challenging” neighbour
- LEEDS Gold

Both as CM and then as the contractors, Van Mar provided exceptional value, helping us to drive through the design complexities, work within the constraints of the site and neighbourhood, build a unbelievably quick construction momentum that carried over to excellent building at the end.

Van Mar ran a very tight ship, very little wasted effort throughout the process and handled all obstacles with ease. We certainly look forward to our next project with them.

I'd be pleased to elaborate at your pleasure.

Best regards,
Coast Mental Health

Darrell J. Burnham, M.B.A.
Executive Director.