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December 17, 1970

Miss Jean R. Kroeger
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118 South Main Avenue
Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57102

Dear Miss Kroeger:

Thank you for your letter of December 11, 1970 inquiring as to the status of the selection of an Architect-Engineer for the EROS Project at Sioux Falls.

The selection has not been made, but we are hopeful that one can be made before the end of the year. We have noted your willingness to associate your firm with Ellerbe Architects of St. Paul in a Joint Venture and will consider this in our selection.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd) William A. Schmidt

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Special Assistant to the Director

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December 11, 1970

Mr. William Fisher
United States Geological Survey
Dept. of Interior
C Street, 18-19 N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20405

Dear Mr. Fisher:

Re: EROS Project
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Since its been some time since we've heard any word regarding the selection of an Architect-Engineer for the above project, we are, as you might suspect, becoming more and more concerned.

Earlier this week the writer visited with the Ellerbe Architects of St. Paul, Minnesota regarding this project and the adviseability of presenting our two firms to you as a Joint Venture. Mr. William Shannon, of the Ellerbe Architects informed me that they had indicated their interest in this project to you, and had filed a current Form 251, as well as a current brochure on their organization.

A joint venture such as this would not be a unique combination as far as our two firms are concerned, because we are currently working together on the expansion of the Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls. Current contracts total approximately \$8,000,000 to \$9,000,000; the long-range 20-year projection being in the neighborhood of \$25,000,000. In the 2-1/2 years we have been working together on this project, we have developed a very fine working relationship, we know their people, procedures, etc., and of course they know ours.

This letter is merely to state to you that not only are we willing to work together on this project, but would like to have you consider our two firms as a Joint Venture for the Architect-Engineering work on the EROS Project. I feel confident that in this way we have the expertise and the manpower to handle this project in an expeditious manner which would be to the complete satisfaction of your department and all others involved.

Should there be anything regarding this proposal which you feel merits discussion, representatives of both offices stand ready to meet with you at your convenience.

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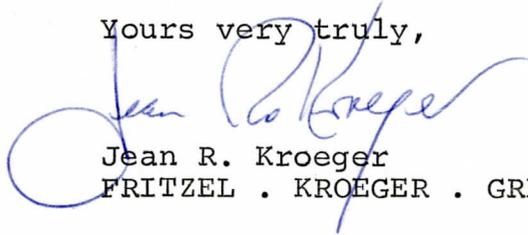
Mr. William Fisher

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Trusting you'll have the happiest of Holiday Seasons,
we remain

Yours very truly,



Jean R. Kroeger

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cc: Mr. Wm. Shannon