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Mr. Grant Ripper  
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Subject: Dukane Precast-Letter of Recommendation

Grant,

I am writing this letter to strongly recommend Dukane Precast for any projects requiring Precast concrete parking structures. Serving as the Project Manager on the Northeastern Illinois University parking facility located in Chicago, IL in 2004, I had the privilege of working with the Dukane Staff on a large complex parking structure totaling approximately 250,000 square feet of double tees (1,050 parking spaces).

The duration from final design approval to occupancy was less than one year. Precast manufacturing and erection duration had to be completed less than 7 months to maintain the project schedule. With careful coordination, Dukane Precast maintained our project schedule while providing the highest quality finish on both the double tees and cast-in thin brick wall panels required for this project.

Overall, I would strongly recommend Dukane Precast for double tee construction.

Respectfully,



Carlos del Val Cura  
Project Manager  
James McHugh Construction Co.

Cc: David Alexander, Senior Vice President, JMCC

## PROJECT FACTS

**Project:** Northeastern Illinois University Parking Facility—Chicago, IL

**Primary use of structure:** Parking Structure

**Number and dimensions of precast, prestressed concrete components:**

Over 760 pieces were used on this parking deck including: 250,000 square feet of double-tees, 58,000 square feet of 9-inch and 12-inch exterior walls with integral thin brick, 10,000 square feet of 12-inch stitch walls, 4,000 square feet of 8-inch and 10-inch solid landing, roof and lobby slabs, 1,600 square feet of stair risers, 3,000 lineal feet of inverted tee beams and columns and 9,000 square feet of hollow-core planks

**Structural material used:** Load bearing precast components

**Size and total square footage of structure:** 333,750 square feet, 1,050 parking spaces

**Detailed project cost data, including total cost and cost of precast concrete package:** Project construction cost-\$ 14 million; precast concrete package- \$5 million

**Project timeline from design to occupancy, including precast manufacture and erection:** Duration from final design approval to occupancy was less than one year. Precast manufacturing and erection duration was less than 7 months

