



June 29, 2005

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Background Checks Inc. (BCI)

My name is Larry Montague and I am currently Director of Corporate Security for Costco Wholesale. I have been employed by Costco Wholesale for fourteen (14) years and was previously a Special Agent with the F.B.I. for twenty-six (26) years.

I have utilized Background Checks Inc. (BCI) for various sensitive inquiries for approximately ten (10) years. The requests have ranged from arrest and conviction data to complicated requests that required extensive searches of public records of individuals and/or companies.

I have always found BCI, which is operated by Skip Lisenby, to be prompt, thorough and discreet. I have never had any reason to doubt or second-guess information provided by BCI.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (425) 313-6378.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry G. Montague".

Larry G. Montague
Director of Security

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