



Cross Creek

MISSISSIPPI

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Dr. Tom Meredith
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Dr. Meredith,

This letter serves as another written confirmation that Cross Creek Technology Center LLC is ready, pen in hand, to ink a deed to the University of Southern Mississippi or to the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Education for 200 acres of land to be used for the Gulf Coast Campus site along Interstate Highway 10 in Harrison County. Cross Creek has acquired approximately 2,000 acres and is waiting for IHL to designate which 200 acres it intends to utilize for the Campus.

Cross Creek was happy to read that the Bureau of Buildings Committee has recommended hiring the Eley/Allred/Sasaki Group as the Planner for the Cross Creek Campus site. We understand the IHL Board will confirm that appointment at its January meeting, next week. Since the Sasaki Group prepared the existing Master Facility Plan for USM main campus in Hattiesburg last year, we assume that the firm is in a position to move quickly in its recommendation on which 200 acres to locate the Gulf Coast Campus. Cross Creek will do everything in its power to expedite that process.

We wish to thank all of the individuals and committees who have been engaged in this process. The ultimate success of the Campus will be measured by the number of students who complete their degree and go on to become productive Mississippians in pursuit of a higher quality of life.

Sincerely,

Cross Creek Technology Center LLC
By: George Schloegel & W. C. Fore