



April 16, 2007

Mr. Steve Donner
Mr. Walter Turek
Mr. Randall Latona
Rochester Americans, Inc
1 War Memorial Square
Rochester, New York 14614

Gentlemen:

Although our respective organizations have engaged in multiple discussions seeking a way to continue the long-standing relationship between the Sabres and Americans, I think we can all agree they have not yet been successful.

We appreciate the many challenges facing the Americans. We have read the Democrat and Chronicle articles regarding the team's financial difficulties, their dissatisfaction with a dual NHL affiliation, and the American's ongoing efforts to renew their lease with the City for Blue Cross Arena.

We believe the Sabres and Americans should continue as partners. It is a partnership that has been good for both organizations and, more importantly, good for Western New York. I am writing this letter in the hope that we might offer some options for your consideration that would allow us to continue working together for the common good.

The Sabres are prepared to enter into a single affiliation agreement with the Americans. We will take full responsibility for providing the players and coaching staff. Although we would reserve the right to acquire prospects from other organizations to fill out the AHL roster, the Sabres will supply the bulk of the roster with Sabres owned prospects. We are prepared to enter into a three-year affiliation agreement for an annual fee substantially below any currently offered by any NHL team. In recognition that your lease negotiations are continuing with the City of Rochester, we would allow the agreement to be cancelled after one year should you be unable to extend your lease beyond next season.

We offer one other consideration. If you conclude that your ownership group can no longer continue to operate the Americans under current conditions, we are prepared to purchase the team as an asset purchase at a fair market value. It would be our intention to continue to operate the Americans in Rochester and negotiate a new lease and operating agreement with the city that would not increase their operating costs or decrease their net revenues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lawrence Quinn", written over a horizontal line.

Lawrence Quinn
Managing Partner