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It is with great pleasure that I write this letter for Mr. Tim Wirfs, knowing him as a businessman and a friend. My first dealings with Tim were in March of 1991 as our local authorized Pierce repair person. Back then just talking on the phone and not really meeting him was a little scary. I did not really know his qualifications, and one mechanic trying to tell another mechanic how to repair something is quite difficult. As time has gone on, I met Tim and started to use his services more and more, to the point that his services are used annually to do certain inspections and repairs that our City will not allow the Fire Department mechanics to do.

Tim is ASE and EVT Certified for all types of fire apparatus and ambulances. Tim has gone one step farther, he did not stop with just National Certifications, but also has specialized schooling from manufacturers on specific trouble shooting and repairing procedures on specific equipment. I personally feel that this adds experience and knowledge when it comes to the repair needs of our Department. Tim has provided valuable information to me for trouble shooting and repairs over the telephone and if this does not work, we normally take the unit to him so he can see the problem first hand and make the necessary repairs.

Tim is a very knowledgeable individual and takes personal pride in knowing you and wanting to help you in any way that he can. Over the few years that I have known Tim, he has personally helped our Department with maintenance scheduling and preventative maintenance scheduling to prevent problem areas from arising. In closing, I have known a lot of professional mechanics in my 27 years in the Fire Service and I must say that Mr. Tim Wirfs is probably one that will stand out in my mind for many years to come because he is a true professional.

Sincerely,

Rodney Oxe
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