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1997 NAEVT Awards Program Committee
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To: Awards Committee,

Northwest Homer Fire & Ambulance District would like to nominate Tim Wirfs of Wirfs Industries for the "1997 Technician of the Year Award".

Northwest Homer Fire District is very proud of the five pieces of Pierce fire apparatus we use! Over the years our district has tried many different service companies ranging from in house, to local trucking companies. We have found that trucking companies may be OK on chassis work, but they do not have a clue on maintaining the rest of the unit.


We found Wirfs through our contact with Pierce. The first thing we asked was "Where do we have to go?, McHenry, Illinois? Where the heck is that!" We were a little concerned about the distance to travel for service, but it was well worth the trip! After meeting Tim and his staff, seeing their work, and shop facilities, we changed all of our service to them.

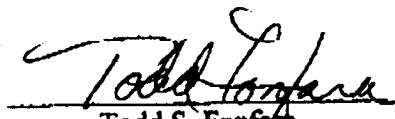
Wirfs always takes the time to explain what ever we need. Our department has even had mobile service done with excellent results and fast repair time. Once Tim stayed in our station working on a piece of our apparatus until 11:00pm, because he didn't want to leave us without a squad. He still had the long drive home ahead. That's commitment!!!

Tim has a tremendous working knowledge of fire apparatus because he is a firefighter. He understands our needs and sometimes anticipates our desires. He has repaired and built some of the most creative and useful things we have ever seen.

I hope this letter demonstrates how much we enjoy sending, and trust our equipment to Wirfs. If not, consider that a trip to Tim is a four-hour investment in time for at least two personnel from our department! His care and commitment to equipment is more than worth the trip for us! If You Have Any Questions Please Feel Free To Call Us Anytime .

Sincerely,


Thomas Bruecks
Chief Northwest Homer


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Maintenance Officer

