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Dr. Atreya,

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to participate in the IAC program at U of M. I have learned a tremendous amount throughout my year long employment at the center and I am extremely grateful for it.

Through working with the IAC, I've learned how to take principles and concepts learned in the classroom and apply them in an industrial setting for the purpose of using energy more wisely. I've learned how to participate in on-site visits, convey thoughts to plant management, work in teams and formulate a final report detailing proposed recommendations. In the relaxed yet serious atmosphere that the IAC offers, I was able to ask questions freely, seek assistance and learn from my mistakes. By doing this, it enabled me to fully understand the reasoning behind thought processes and I will be better off because of it.

It's no doubt that working for the IAC has supplied me with invaluable experience at a very early stage in my career. It has provided me with a wonderful opportunity to pursue a career in the energy field when such positions are difficult to come by in an internship type role. It has also given me the necessary experience that employers are looking for when trying to fill positions in a relatively new and emerging field. This is apparent by the amount of interest I've received from prospective employers that directly mention my IAC experience and the great job I will be starting in the near future.

Thanks again for your help managing the center the past year and for the opportunity you've given me. I believe that the IAC is a very important organization for students to participate in especially during these times as energy issues become more important. The IAC has acted as the perfect avenue for someone with energy conservation interests to pursue an energy related career. Personally, it has surely laid a solid foundation for a lifetime and career devoted to this important field.

Sincerely,

Kyle Rademacher

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