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Ed,

I would like to thank you, the scholarship committee, and furthermore the entire New Jersey Society of Fire Protection Engineers for awarding me with the James R O'Neil / Robert Powers Joint Scholarship. This scholarship is helping me greatly to offset the costs of continuing for my Masters in Fire Protection Engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. The classes that I am currently taking include People in Fires and Complex Decision Making. People in Fires is a class that surrounds how the occupants react in a fire as well as how the different aspects of both the occupants and building affect the egress from the building. This class is extremely exciting to me because one day I would like to work for a consulting firm that would have to take all of these aspects to calculate the required egress time from a building. I am also taking a class called Complex Decision Making; this class teaches many different techniques used to make complex decisions. I feel that these techniques will prove to be extremely important in my career.

One thing that I have completed since last speaking to you was to take my Fundamentals of Engineering exam. I have recently received notice that I have passed it and now am one step closer to becoming a Professional Engineer. This I know will prove to be very beneficial in my career as a Fire Protection Engineer. Finally, as I attend classes I am also working at Tyco Fire Protection Products in Cranston Rhode Island as a 9 month Co-op in the Mechanical Research and Development Group. I really enjoy everything that I am learning at Tyco and look forward to everything else that I can learn at my Co-op with Tyco. I would just like to thank all of you for all of the support throughout my education towards becoming a Fire Protection Engineer. I cannot wait to graduate and be able to use my education to help people.

Thank you again,

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