August 13, 2013

Aviation Distributors and Manufacturers Association International (ADMA) 100 N. 20th Street, Suite 400 Philadelphia, PA 19103-1462

RE: 2013 ADMA Scholarship

Dear Scholarship Committee,

Thank you so very much for selecting me for this generous scholarship gift. I am thrilled to be attending Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, the most renowned aeronautical university in the world. This opportunity would not be possible without financial help from charitable scholarship donations and institutional endowments like this award! I am so grateful for your belief in my abilities and this investment in my future.

I am a senior studying Aeronautical Science with a Helicopter Flight Specialty and a minor in Applied Meteorology, at the Embry-Riddle, Prescott, Arizona campus. I plan to graduate in the spring of 2014. I have already successfully completed my Private Helicopter License, Instrument Rating, Commercial License, and Certified Flight Instructor rating. I am in the process of working toward completion of my Certified Flight Instructor Instrument rating and hope to complete this rating by the fall of this year. With any luck, I hope to work as a Certified Flight Instructor beginning next spring, while completing my Bachelor of Science degree. I am also seriously considering pursuing a Masters in Safety Science degree at Embry-Riddle while continuing to instruct after I graduate. I have always loved to fly and am so excited to be surrounded by students like myself whose passions are so similar. In addition, I could not be more inspired by the university professors and experts in aviation on staff at Embry-Riddle!

I was brought up in a service-oriented family, (both my mother and father were 30-year veteran professional firefighters). Therefore, I would like to pursue a similar career, however from the sky! Ultimately, I would like to become a fire suppression aviator, specifically a helicopter pilot for a federal, state, or local fire service agency. I know this will require an exorbitant amount of time, training, and experience to be selected for this demanding and dangerous career. Thus, I hope to not only teach, but also secure employment in the industry in a variety of positions, to enhance my skills and perfect my craft.

Again, thank you so much for your generous financial gift and the honor that comes with the being selected to receive an "ADMA 2013 Scholarship."

Sincerely,

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