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To whom it may concern:

This is just a short note to express my appreciation for the job that GFP did in the aftermath of the Hurricanes that devastated the Gulf Coast in September of 2005, in particular for the work they performed in Louisiana.

I was deployed to Louisiana the day after Rita came ashore in Cameron Parish. I am a Logistics Management Specialist for FEMA. I was assigned to the Lake Charles area to work with the crew from GFP in building a First Responder Base Camp at McNeese State University. We wanted to establish a facility where we could house up to 1500 people.

Almost simultaneously we were assigned the task of assembling a 500 person Base Camp right on the coast at Cameron, La.

I could go on and on describing in very glowing terms how professional this company was at the accomplishment of their contract. In short, that is exactly what I wish to say.

Anyone who works disaster relief realizes that two important aspects must be addressed. First, get the job done! Second, do not panic. GFP brings a level of knowledge and experience to the job site that makes co-workers realize immediately that they can accomplish the task and they do not panic.

In the 6 weeks that I worked directly with GFP and over the next 8 months that I had indirect contact, GFP always provided the service that we not only expected, but in every instance, they provided solutions for every situation that arose. Some of these required their surpassing their contractual obligations. They were always helpful and never did they complain.

I know that those who prepare for disasters keep lists of companies that can fill the needs presented when a disaster occurs. I have suggested to those that GFP always occupy a place at the top of that list.

Disasters, unfortunately, will continue to plague us. We at FEMA are always prepared to respond. That response effort always involves our partners, public and private. I want anyone who would ask to know that when I get called out on a deployment that requires the types of services that GFP provides, I will be making sure to find out what their availability status is.

Again, I would like to thank all those who offered their aid to the victims of the two devastating storms that racked the Gulf Coast in the fall of 2005.

Very Sincerely,

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