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Letter of Reference

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I have know and worked with Don Pollard and GFP Enterprises, Inc., for the past several years. I have contracted with the company to assist on a wildland fuels reduction project on family property in Klamath County, OR. GFP Enterprises brings a HUGE capability that may not be evident to a casual observer. First, the company is professionally operated and has a fully integrated command structure that is responsive to the needs and desires of the customer. Second, GFP has access and working relationships with a wide variety of sub-contractors who can provide just about any service imaginable. These folks can be integrated seamlessly into their operations. Third, GFP has a management culture and can-do attitude in every project. They are malleable and adaptable to a wide variety of situations and circumstances.

I observed GFP Enterprises when I was working for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in Louisiana in 2005. Without a doubt, the damage and challenges brought by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita were unprecedented, with catastrophic widespread damage. In the midst of the destruction, several base camps were erected, staffed and operated by GFP Enterprises. In Cameron, Louisiana, the GFP base camp was the ONLY FACILITY within 80 miles to be able to house, feed, refresh and sustain the emergency responders and emergency workers. Their work was absolutely UNBELIEVABLE! How GFP was able to pull together the camp facilities, caterer, laundry facilities, power generation and communications systems was truly remarkable. Their attitude in the face of the extreme adversity of the events made a place of refuge for critical emergency workers. Without GFP, there would have been a long commute both morning and evening, subjecting individuals to numerous road perils and reducing work efficiency greatly.

When a camp provider in Port Sulphur, south of New Orleans, needed to be replaced, GFP Enterprises stepped up to the table and again showed their work ethic, skilled management team and can-do attitude. GFP received many praises for a job well done, but they didn't dwell on that....they just tried to further improve the camp to benefit the emergency workers. Again, without GFP and the Port Sulphur base camp, the team effort to make emergency repairs to this portion of Louisiana would have been severely hampered.

GFP Enterprises is a modest company, not wishing to promote themselves to get a job. Rather, they stand ready, willing and able to take on substantial logistics and personnel challenges. Their best testament is....how well they did their last job. This is an excellent business model and one that makes me proud to have GFP working for me on our small (73 acres) fuels reduction project. GFP is thoughtful and thorough in their work and will do everything in their power to meet and exceed your expectations.

Without hesitation or reservation, I hope you take a hard look at GFP Enterprises and see how they can work for and help you. They are seasoned and skilled emergency responders who don't really know the word CAN'T. They will go the extra mile for you and be honest with you regarding what they can do and when they can get it accomplished. Their resource base and professional contacts can bring together all the right pieces and players to get your project accomplished in a professional, safe and timely manner.

I have come across few individuals and companies in my professional life that have the abilities and resource contacts to do what GFP can. Without a doubt, the nation and Louisiana owe them a debt of gratitude for the FANTASTIC job they performed in the face of adversity following the hurricanes. Ask Don Pollard to show you the pictures....they show a part of the story.

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Sincerely,

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