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PetroEnergy Scholarship Program
Cooperative Educational Service Agency # 4
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West Salem, WI 54669

I am writing to recommend Alexa Johnson for the 2014 Petro Energy Scholarship. **This is an academic letter of recommendation.**

I have known Alexa for over a year as a student at Winona State University. As her current college professor, I am honored to provide this recommendation. On many occasions, Alexa has demonstrated a unique ability to communicate in diverse situations with several constituency groups. Her intelligence has served her well in the classroom and in her experience as a volunteer for several organizations. I am sure all of your applicants have letters of recommendation from former professors or bosses that elucidate their remarkable abilities in communication, teamwork and leadership. So, let me tell you what is special about Alexa.

Alexa's participation in class is always professional and insightful. Though somewhat reserved in class, when she speaks, students take note. None of her comments or questions are shallow or frivolous. She has a distinct ability to make people feel at ease and listens intently to both myself and others. Looking at her resume you can see Alexa has already gained two years of work experience in sales and retail, of which she applied experiences in both of the classes in which I've had her at WSU as a student. She's a hard worker and an excellent writer. In fact, she and a research partner recently exhibited their work at the 2014 Celebration of Research and Creative Scholarship and it was very well received by several constituency groups.

All of that is great but, here's the thing—*she's really good at all of it.* I don't just mean these things on her resume and in the classroom. If Alexa takes it on, you know it will be excellent, on time, on budget and presented well. In short, she's a fantastic person and student who deserves support and recognition as she progresses in her academic studies.

I would not hesitate to recommend Alexa Johnson for any opportunity, scholarship or project. Please feel free to contact me further about her future prospects and the characteristics that make her an excellent choice as the 2014 Petro Energy Scholarship recipient.

Sincerely,

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