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Attn: Mr. Frank E. Rodgers (President)

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Sir:

This letter is a follow-up to our telephonic conversation that we had yesterday afternoon. I am elated to inform you that after two days of arduous scrutiny by the two Assessors assigned to inspect and report on our Police Department, we have passed the Accreditation Assessment and are being recommended for both State and National Accreditation Recognition.

Sir, I would be remised if I did not take this time to both apologize to you and thank you. I apologize to you, because we entered into a contract with time limits. As the project manager, I failed to live up to that time frame. Sir I thank you for not giving up on me or on my agency. For standing up and addressing my shortfalls and helping me get back on track. I am indebted to you and your organization for your understanding, and commitment to excellence. Your entire staff was always available and expedient when issues came up. Everyone in your organization has the same high level of commitment to excellence that you portray. When we first met, you assured me and my city's administration that you would see us through this process. You are a man of your word. You remained steadfast with us, although you could have left. Sir, I am honored to remain committed to you and your organization.

In closing, I would like to speak about Dan Walsh. I cannot find the proper words to describe and express my most sincere gratitude to Dan. He is a loyal, committed, tenacious, hardworking, dedicated man. Without Dan, I would have never been able to complete this process. He kept me focused when I felt I had no support. He helped me see things in a different perspective and continued to give me hope when the days seemed very dark. Dan stuck by me when others would have much rather walked away. I am proud to say that seldom someone comes into your life that you can admire for their ethics, commitment and intelligence. I find all those remarkable qualities in Dan. He is a definite asset to your organization. I am proud to call him a very good friend. He is a friend that I would do anything for at whatever time of day or night he needed me. I am sure you are aware how fortunate you are to have him as part of your organization. We are always indoctrinated that everyone is replaceable. I am here to tell you that it would be hard to replace Dan Walsh. His talent, dedication and commitment are

unique and irreplaceable. I am very fortunate to have been able to meet him but even more fortunate to call him my friend.

Once again thank you for everything and I will remain in contact with you for the future of the program.

Respectfully yours,

Capt. Rocky Melendez

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Accreditation Manager