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To Whom it may concern:

From April 1, 2007 to December 31, 2006 Dr. Tamer Akan spent a research internship in my laboratory at Old Dominion University. During this time he was involved in several projects under my supervision, dealing with non-thermal plasmas and their biomedical applications. The research projects are:

1. "Large Volume Non-Equilibrium Air Plasma at Atmospheric Pressure: A Novel Method with Low Power Requirements", funded by AFOSR
2. "Effects of Non-equilibrium Plasmas on Eukaryotic Cells", funded by AFOSR
3. "Bactericidal Effects of Cold Plasma Technology on *Geobacillus Stearothermophilus* and *Bacillus Atrophaeus* Spores", funded by the American Dental Hygiene Association.

Dr. Akan's performance was excellent and his efforts helped advance the above research programs. He was able to present a paper at the Gaseous Electronics Conference (GEC) and we plan to present a joint paper at the upcoming International Symposium on Plasma Chemistry (ISPC) to be held in Japan in August 2007.

On a personal level Dr. Akan was professional and friendly. All the members of my research team enjoyed working and interacting with him.

Best Regards,

M. Laroussi
Associate Professor &
Director of the Applied Plasma Technology Laboratory
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