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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing this letter in regards to my experience working with Ms. Janet Wolforth during two recent training sessions. While my title is Business Development Manager, I have spent many years learning, practicing, and perfecting my small animal surgical techniques, and I have also spent many years in training others in this endeavor.

Since 2007 I have been around the world teaching experienced and non-experienced technicians in rat and mouse surgery. During my training with Janet, I was extremely impressed with her dedication, her eagerness to try the new methods, and ultimately with her amazing results. I have never seen a trainee with the level of skill that Ms. Wolforth possessed, nor have I seen a trainee who progressed so quickly through the surgeries.

Mouse surgery, in particular, is an incredibly difficult endeavor. The implantation of catheters into the mouse is an impressive and difficult skill, and it is almost impossible to find a technician who can reliably perform this work. With Janet, it was clear that she had a deep understanding of rodent surgery; she knew the anatomy and she was very aware of the needs of the animal, including a focus on anesthesia and analgesia, as well as proper aseptic technique. It was clear to me after watching her perform the first surgery that Janet had the skills needed to learn quickly, and I had no doubt that she would be successful as she moved forward.

I believe that with the broad range of skills Ms. Wolforth possesses, she would be an amazing asset for any animal laboratory to have. I also believe that it would be an absolute shame not to take advantage of her special skills in regards to rodent catheter implantations.

I would be happy to be contacted to further explain my training experience with Ms. Wolforth at any time. My contact information is listed in the signature below.

Sincerely,



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