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Dear Mr. Smith

I am writing to express my sincere appreciation to you and your Air Combat Training System O&M contractors for your recent professional assistance with Air Combat Command's accident investigation conducted at Eglin AFB. Your expertise with the Air Force's newest combat training system, the P5CTS, provided critical information to the 33rd Fighter Wing and safety board.

Specifically, I want to thank Mr. Dave Goldsberry for his efforts in supporting the aircraft mishap investigation board during the recent F-15 accident. Mr. Goldsberry provided critical mission data and operated the debrief systems to expedite the investigation process. Mr. Goldsberry and his team worked diligently with our P5CTS Program Office and the 33rd Wing to obtain the necessary equipment and integrate P5CTS mission data to assist in mission reconstruction. His professionalism and extensive P5CTS knowledge had a very positive impact during the investigation. Mr. Goldsberry routinely shouldered additional tasks as the investigation unfolded thus ensuring the many challenges of mission reconstruction were overcome.

Please accept and convey my deepest appreciation to Mr. Goldsberry for his contributions. This was a significant accomplishment in the complex arena of investigation boards and a very positive step in flight safety.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W Canipe".

WAYNE A. CANIPE, Colonel, USAF