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To: Scholarship Selection Committee
2015-2016 Abdeldjelil "DJ" Belarbi Graduate Scholarship

Dear Scholarship Selection Committee,

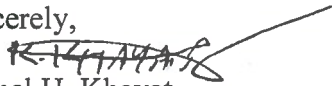
It is a great pleasure to recommend **Mr. Iman Mehdipour** for the Abdeldjelil "DJ" Belarbi Graduate Scholarship. I have known Mr. Mehdipour for the last two years when I started accepted supervision of his Ph.D. thesis entitled "Ecological and Crack-Free High Performance Concrete with Adapted Rheology". He has also taken the "Advanced Concrete Science and Technology" and "Concrete Rheology and Self-Consolidating Concrete" courses during his Ph.D. period, and obtained a grade of A; his grade was the highest in the class.

During the last two years, he participated in several research investigations, including the design of ecological and crack-free self-consolidating concrete and determination of water content in fresh concrete in transit trucks. He also carried out an interdisciplinary research in conjunction with the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department, to investigate the fiber distribution in cement-based materials using microwave nondestructive technique. He is working on three papers that will be submitted to peer-reviewed ISI journals.

Iman is a very hard worker and quite productive in his work. He is self-motivated that has a strong potential in researching and developing new ideas. His work is quite innovative and deals with timely issues that can be transferred readily to practice. Iman is eager to share his knowledge with other students, and my research team is benefited from his personality and friendly attitude. At a personal level, he is a well-disciplined, industrious student, and capable of doing teamwork and leadership qualities.

In summary, I find Iman is an outstanding student, and I strongly support his application for the prestigious Abdeldjelil "DJ" Belarbi Graduate Scholarship. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this nomination.

Sincerely,


Kamal H. Khayat