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From: Dr. John J. Myers, CArEE Dept., Missouri S&T

Ref.: Recommendation for ACI Scholarship– **Ms. Zena Al-Jazaeri**

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation and support for **Ms. Zena Al-Jazaeri** in consideration of an ACI Scholarship.

I would like to provide my perspective on Zena's character, scholarship, and potential for growth and suitability. Zena is currently a PhD student who started her engineering coursework in Jan. 2013 under my advisement majoring in Structural Engineering in the **Civil, Architectural, and Envir. Engineering** at Missouri S&T. She is one of our most outstanding students academically. Her grade point average (GPA) to date ranks her among a select group in our department at 4.0. I have served as her doctoral advisor as well as her instructor in my Composites Repair and Strengthening Course (CE 374) during the Fall 2013 and Prestressed Concrete Design Course (CE 328) during the Spring 2014 semesters. She has done very well in her courses and demonstrated an outstanding work ethic in the classroom and a high level of moral character.

Her research topic fits very well with what ACI is all about, concrete, cement & repair. Zena's research work is examining several aspects of a Cementitious-based strengthening and repair system. The name of this system is entitled a fabric-reinforced-cementitious-matrix (FRCM) composite. She is investigating the structural behavior as well as the durability performance of this FRCM system. In addition, we hope to apply to a field test bed study in Missouri for in-situ studies. I believe **Ms. Zena Al-Jazaeri** is an excellent candidate for your ACI Scholarship and I strongly encourage her selection. Should you require additional information, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

Warm regards,

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