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Dear Hiring Manager,

While attending BAE's information session, held on the University of New Hampshire (UNH) campus, I was excited learn about the Engineering Leadership and Development Program (ELDP) offered in Nashua, NH. Currently, I am a senior in Mechanical Engineering at UNH and expect to graduate in May of 2017. I am motivated and excited to enter into my engineering career and apply the skills I have gained over the last four years. My education and experience make me a strong candidate for this program.

Working at both the Portsmouth Naval Ship Yard and the Philmont Scout Ranch has helped prepare me for a program like the ELDP. As a Test Engineering Intern at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, I accepted challenging technical assignments and engaged with my co-workers to gain knowledge of the intricacies of nuclear submarines. I was excited to utilize my analytical problem solving and teamwork skills in this role. In addition to my technical skills, the leadership and communication abilities I developed as a Conservationist at the Philmont Scout Ranch will aid in my success as a member of BAE's team. I was trusted to lead upwards of 2,000 Boy Scouts in a dangerous work environment in the New Mexico wilderness. The experience provided me an opportunity to work collaboratively with people from all different backgrounds and experience levels.

My academic experience at UNH has provided be with an excellent foundation for BAE's challenging technical work. I am currently embarking on a senior capstone project to design and build a sonar system that can map the ocean floor topography and intensity. As the lead of testing, I will be involved in the practical application of our device when we test it aboard UNH's R/V Gulf Challenger in the spring. In a team of seven people, I have been involved in all aspects of the design and build over the course of this year.

Thank you for your time and consideration, I look forward to hearing from you. The opportunity to develop my leadership and technical skills through the ELDP excites me and is what I am looking for in my career. Being a motivated student and community member, who likes to work hard to accomplish goals, makes me confidence I will be a great asset to BAE Systems as a member of the ELDP.

Sincerely,

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