

Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007

William Levenderis  
Ohio TAPPI Treasurer  
Mohawk Fine Papers  
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Dear Mr. Levenderis,

I am writing because I have been selected by the Paper and Chemical Engineering Faculty to receive the Ohio TAPPI Leadership Award. Thank you for providing the funds for the Miami University Paper Science and Engineering Foundation. Your support is greatly appreciated.

I graduated from John Glenn High School in 2003. During my high school years I was active in the National Honor Society, Varsity Basketball and Soccer, as well as the quiz team and the ski club. Currently I am a senior in the Paper and Chemical Engineering Department at Miami University and am working hard at my studies. I am currently the treasurer of the Student TAPPI club for Miami University as well as a member of AICHE. I am also active in many club sports and intramural leagues. The opportunity to receive awards such as this is one of the reasons why I chose Paper Science and Engineering.

The scholarships that I have received have greatly helped me financially, as well as provided me with needed motivation to work hard and achieve my goals. I am very excited to be working towards a career that is so well supported by individuals and corporations. The opportunity to become part of this group has been something I have been looking forward to since I have been a student in the Paper Science and Engineering Program.

I have completed two internships while attending Miami University. My first was with U.S. Playing Cards Co., located in Cincinnati, Ohio. As a Research and Development Intern, I was able to become familiar with the daily operations of the facility, as well as many areas of product development and quality assurance. I gained a great amount of first-hand knowledge of the industry and was very pleased with the experience.

My second internship/co-op was with Mohawk Fine Papers, located in Hamilton, Ohio. As a Process Engineering Intern I was introduced to many aspects of the Mill. I worked on a variety of projects dealing with quality assurance, product development, cost reduction ideas, as well as Mill operations and control. I had the chance to work with many knowledgeable engineers, as well as complete many projects on my own. I greatly enjoyed my experience, and because of your company I have decided to pursue a career in the Paper Industry.

Again, thank you for the support of the Paper and Chemical Engineering Students at Miami University.

Sincerely,

