



## ***Sherston Parva Associates Limited***

*Hydrographic, Geophysical & Geotechnical Survey Consultants*

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**Re: Scott Lafferty**

To Whom It May Concern,

I have known Mr. Lafferty since 1996, when he began further development of his sonar data acquisition & processing system, originally written for the Australian Navy. At this time I was Senior Geophysicist and Team Leader with a leading marine survey company.

Over the course of a year-long deep-water oilfield development and pipeline route survey in the Far East, I worked with Scott to continue to develop and tailor the software to the particular requirements of the project. During the initial mobilization phase of the project, he also undertook additional responsibilities as Fire Safety Supervisor.

By the end of the project, thanks to Scott's highly efficient programming expertise and his many years of experience with practical sonar applications, his system was undoubtedly the most advanced of its kind within the survey industry.

Following the successful completion of that project in 1997, Scott continued to improve the system to maintain its position at the leading edge of our industry.

In 1998, working as Project Manager for Sage Survey, I used Scott on another long-term project, surveying the Belgian Waterways. His capacity for working without supervision enabled us to use Scott in a Client Liaison role in addition to his position as Senior Software Consultant.

Scott is an extremely competent programmer, a particular achievement since he is in effect self-taught, and has earned himself a reputation for being an expert in his field.

Yours faithfully,

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