Please write candidly about the student's qualifications, potential to carry on advanced study in the field specified, intellectual independence, capability for analytical thinking, ability to organize and express ideas clearly, and potential for learning. Descriptions of significant actions, accomplishments, character and personal qualities related to scholarly achievement are particularly helpful.

This recommendation will remain confidential during the admission process. This recommendation may also be used as part of the selection process for a different graduate program, for a particular dissertation, fellowship, or for financial support derived from any source available to the University. Exception: if an admitted and enrolled applicant did not waive the right to read the letter, he or she may read it. The email you received requesting that you complete an online evaluation included the applicant's selected option to waive or not waive the right to read your letter.

This applicant has waived the right to view their recommendation.

After clicking Submit, wait until you see the "Thank You" page before you exit the system. Your recommendation has not been submitted successfully until you see the confirmation page.
**Applicant Information**
- **Major:** Civil Engineering
- **Objective:** Masters
- **Term:** 2007/08
- **Date of birth:**

**Respondent Information**
- **Name:** [Last] [First]
- **Title:** Professor/Research Engineer
- **Institution:** Texas A&M University
- **Department:** Civil Engineering

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**Acquaintance With the Applicant**

1. I have known the applicant for **[1-3 years]**
2. I have served as the applicant's [ ] Undergraduate Student [ ] Graduate Student [ ] Research Assistant [ ] other [ ]
3. I have served as the applicant's [ ] Research Advisor [ ] Major Advisor [ ] Teacher (this class) [ ] Teacher (many classes) [ ] Department Chair [ ] other [ ]
4. Overall Intellectual Ability: [Excellent (Top 10%)]
5. Knowledge in Chosen Field: [Excellent (Top 10%)]
6. Overall Scientific Ability: [Excellent (Top 10%)]
7. Overall Imaginative/Creative Ability: [Excellent (Top 10%)]
8. Motivation - Persistence - Commitment: [Outstanding (Top 3%)]

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**Online Letter of Recommendation**
The point on these questions is that if I have no way of determining how to truthfully respond, I just have to say "No Basis for Judgement".

So is it easy to for you explain to me why you think I should rate you highly on Initiative? Yes.

Is that my problem or your problem? Exactly.

Thus get to work trying to remember a time that you really took the initiative and got a hard job done, and tell me about it.

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**Overall Recommendation**

10. Overall Rating (selected one):
   - [ ] Strongly Recommend
   - [ ] Recommend
   - [ ] Neutral
   - [ ] Disapprove
   - [ ] Strongly Disapprove

15. Overall Ranking
   - [ ] Top 10%
   - [ ] Top 20%
   - [ ] Top 30%
   - [ ] Top 40%
   - [ ] Top 50%
   - [ ] Top 60%
   - [ ] Top 70%
   - [ ] Top 80%
   - [ ] Top 90%
   - [ ] Top 100%
   - [ ] Not applicable

Written Comments:

[Insert If Applicable]

[November 20, 2006]

Graduate Admissions

Georgia Institute of Technology

633 Cherry Street, Room 318

Atlanta, Georgia 30332-0121

To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of [Student's Name] to recommend her for graduate admission into the Ph.D. Civil Engineering program at the Georgia Institute of Technology.
Recommendation of the Applicant

In addition to responding to the items below, feel free to attach a letter that comments specifically on the applicant's strengths and limitations for graduate study.

1. Please rate the applicant in comparison with others whom you have known at similar stages in their careers.

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2. Please indicate your endorsement

[X] Highly recommended
[ ] Recommended with some reservations
[ ] Not recommended

3. Will you attach a letter?

[X] Yes

4. How long have you known this applicant, and in what capacity?

Please limit your response to the size of the text box or no more than 3 lines of text.

Letter Upload

Descriptions of significant actions, accomplishments, and personal qualities related to scholarly achievement are particularly helpful. Several paragraphs will be more useful to the faculty admission committees than one or two sentences. Feel free to comment on the applicant's character if applicable; include only those obstacles the applicant may have had to overcome to attain his or her educational goals (e.g., economic, social, cultural, educational or other disadvantages).

Please include a one-inch margin on each page of your document.

4. Please attach your letter using the following button

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