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Mr. Michael Utley 32 Jacqueline Circle West Yarmouth, MA 02673

Dear Michael.

I would like to pass on to you a resounding Thank You for your participation in the 2006 National Severe Weather Workshop! As you did in St. Louis for the National Weather Association, you 'wowed' our audience.

The National Severe Weather Workshop is the only meeting in the United States that brings together Emergency Managers, Broadcast Media and severe weather specialists and forecasters in order to improve services and the message necessary for the general public to take heed of the dangers of severe storms.

Your presentation called, *I Survived Lightning*, really opened the eyes of the audience and surely made them realize that they may not be doing enough to convey the dangers of lightning. Afterwards, I witnessed that you were talking with many of the attendees and I received numerous accolades about your presentation and how much of an impact it made.

Again, thank you Mike for making such a large impact at the 2006 National Severe Weather Workshop.

Respectfully,

Daniel McCarthy

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