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RE: Our Compliments

As you are aware, the Illinois Refining Division of Marathon Ashland Petroleum LLC (MAP) recently completed the largest "Turnaround" in our history. Our success was due, in part, to the efforts of your company and the service your people provided.

Now that we have had the opportunity to catch our breath, we wanted to formally pass along our appreciation of the outstanding job Boltech, Inc. provided in making this turnaround a success. We too often overlook the positive aspects of our business dealings because we become "bogged down" in the details of what didn't go so well. We would be remiss to also not thank those whose efforts contributed to the successes we did achieve.

MAP's continued success is dependent upon the professional business services that you and your employees provide. We hope to continue the mutually beneficial business relationship that has been developed between our companies. Please communicate to your employees our sincere appreciation.

Sincerely,

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Commercial Representative

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Procurement Assistant

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