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Dear Mr. McMurray, Mrs. McMurray, their friends and AAPG Grants-In-Aid Program,

Please forgive me that I still put Mr. McMurray in the name list. I believe that he is definitely going to read this letter. All good people should live in the heaven forever with god and his friends. As a great scientist, a great husband and a great friend, surely, he is in heaven now.

It is very hard to express my feeling when I know I have been selected to receive this grant. I am happy, excited and grateful, but these are not all of them. I am always a good student in the school. I work hard, attend all kinds of activities and win a lot of awards. However, something changed since I came to Canada to be a Ph.D. candidate. I enjoy the beautiful nature view and friendly people here. On the other hand, I was not feeling that I am a successful student anymore. I am not even eligible to submit my application for most of scholarship as an international student. Based on this point, the Jay M. McMurray memorial grant-in-aid has a special meaning for me. It is not only 500 dollars. I got refreshed by it. It makes me feel that my research is valuable to the society, and I am able to gain support and respect by working hard.

Mr. McMurray had dedicated himself to natural resource exploration and development for 46 years. His influence about uranium has been spread across the whole world due to his great contribution in this field, and the effort of Katherine McMurray, his colleagues and friends, and AAPG Grants-In-Aid Program. I will follow his path to dedicate myself to earth sciences.

Many thanks to all of you!

Sincerely,

Tao Cui

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the Chinese characters '陶葵' (Tao Cui).