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Dear Mike

ISEC 2002

As you are aware, the 16th International Solvent Extraction Conference, ISEC 2002, took place at the Holiday Inn Cape Town during March. This was the first time that this conference had been held in Africa, and it attracted over 400 international delegates and partners. On all fronts—technical, organisational and social—the conference was a great success, and really served to put South Africa on the map for the global scientific community. Both during and since the conference, we have been inundated with very heart-warming messages of congratulations, with many delegates indicating that they regarded this conference as the best they had ever attended. These accolades are due in no small part to the substantial efforts of your audiovisual staff.

On behalf of the Technical Programme Committee, I would like to commend you and all of your staff for the outstanding and very professional service to ISEC 2002. In particular, we thank Marc, David, Rayno, Neil, and Damian for their control of the technical sessions, and especially David Africa who coped very well with lots of fussy scientists making last-minute changes to their presentations. Their competence, professionalism and friendliness definitely contributed to the high standard of the technical aspects of the conference (and to the peace of mind of the ISEC Organising Committee!). Not only were their relations with our delegates impeccable, but they were also a pleasure to work with from a committee point of view. I can only commend their organisational skills and meticulous attention to detail.

I would also like to thank you for your advice and assistance in the months leading up to the conference, and for facilitating the planning of the event. All audiovisual aspects of the conference were superbly run, and I would certainly have no hesitation in recommending your services for similar events in the future.

The goal of the ISEC 2002 Organising Committee was to produce a world-class event, supported by organisational and technical excellence. This, I believe, we certainly have done. We are thrilled that we have been able to showcase South Africa so successfully. Not only do we have a large number of international delegates returning home with very positive impressions of the country, but a substantial number who have indicated their intention to come back again soon. We could not have achieved this success without the contributions of your staff, and for this we are most grateful. Thank you.

Kind regards

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