

To whom it may concern:

Enclosed is my resume detailing my qualifications for a position as an environmental consultant. I am a graduate from the **University of Delaware** with a Bachelors of Science in **Wildlife Biology** and **Business Administration** minor.

From January until August '11, I was a Natural Resource Advisor (NRA) on the MC252 oil disaster in the Gulf of Mexico and worked extensively in Florida, Louisiana and Alabama. As an NRA, I was responsible for providing environmental consulting as a QAQC contractor during the cleanup, and I also served as reconnaissance for oil and oiled debris on beaches and state parks along the Gulf Coast. I was responsible for implementing Best Management Practices (BMPs) in tandem with representatives from United States Fish and Wildlife Services, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Alabama Department of Environmental Management in accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and applicable state laws. NRAs implemented BMPs to ensure that contractor clean up could take place while having the least impact to the natural resources and wildlife. NRAs also conducted threatened and endangered species surveys, utilized Trimble GPS and ArcGIS technology to keep a current map of nesting shorebirds, observed and advised clean up teams of up to 75 members, educated the public on the goals of the project, documented daily observations, prepared a daily report and completed the BMP checklist.

In January 2008, I traveled to the Ecuadorian rainforest and the Galapagos Islands. While hiking through the Amazon, I learned to construct maps, measure soil parameters, determine vegetation types, and identify woody shrubs and trees. At the University of Delaware, I took many courses in biology and ecology, including a course called Wildlife Research Techniques in which we practiced the basics of radiotelemetry, small mammal mark and recapture, and mist-netting birds. I have also taken several other important wildlife courses including Entomology, Ornithology, Mammalogy, Botany, Dendrology, and Marine Biology.

I consider myself a hard worker in good physical condition. During high school and college, I was a commercial truck driver and crew leader on residential and commercial moves for many years. In the summer of '08, I was promoted to Warehouse Manager and my duties included managing inbound and outbound shipments of freight from Fort Dix Military Base and McGuire Air Force Base, as well as dispatching household deliveries and directing a crew of up to 10 warehouse employees.

Overall, I believe that I would be an asset to your organization because of my previous environmental consulting experience, my strong leadership skills, and my knowledge of the professional and biological world. Please contact me at your convenience to schedule an interview. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **MC252 Deepwater Horizon Spill Response, Gulf of Mexico Natural Resource Advisor**

January '11 – August '11, *Florida, Louisiana, Alabama*  
*Environmental Consultant*

Observed, advised, and implemented environmental protocols (BMPs) established by USFWS and USCG. Utilized Trimble GPS and ArcGIS to map bird nesting activity, performed endangered and threatened species surveys, and advised crews of up to 75 members.

### **Viridian Energy**

January '10 – January '11, *New Jersey*  
*Green Energy Consultant*

The deregulation of energy allows electricity customers the opportunity to choose their electricity supplier. Customers converted to Viridian can receive 100% renewable green energy at discounted prices.

### **Planthopper Diversity in the Great Smoky Mountains**

Fall of 2009, *Delaware*

*Research Assistant to Dr. Bartlett, Entomology.*

Planthoppers from malaise traps were investigated as a component of an ongoing all-taxon biotic inventory of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Cataloged and identified several hundred specimens of planthoppers.

### **Twin Oaks Moving & Storage**

Summer of 2004-Summer 2008, *New Jersey*

*Warehouse Manager, Crew Leader, Driver*

Operating trucks and forklifts, managing inbound and outbound shipments, inventorying shipments, supervising a crew of 2-10 employees, dispatching, and moving furniture.

### **Paragon Pythons**

Summer of 2006-Spring 2008, *New Jersey*

*Co-Founder/Owner, Breeder, Website Design/Implementation*

### **Doug Forrester's Gubernatorial Campaign**

Spring of 2005, *New Jersey*

*Internship*

## **EDUCATION**

**UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE**, Newark, DE – Fall 2009

**Major:** Bachelor of Science in Wildlife Biology

**Minor:** Business Administration

**GPA:** Wildlife: **3.2/4.0** Overall **3.0/4.0**

**Dean's List:** Fall '05, Spring '07, Fall '09

**Study Abroad Winter 08': Ecuadorian Rainforest**

[Tropical Forest Ecology & Woody Plant Taxonomy]

[Mammalogy, Botany, Marine Bio, Ornithology & Entomology]

[Wildlife Research Techniques]

## **SKILLS & ATTRIBUTES**

Trimble GPS and ArcGIS experience

Certified Wildlife Observer

Certified Vegetation Identification in NJ

Radiotelemetry, Mist Netting, Mark and Recapture

Plant and Animal Identification

Commercial Truck Drivers License Class B

Boating License

Experienced with ATV, UTV and Off-Road Vehicles

Experienced in Microsoft Office & various other programs

Good Physical Condition

Works well with group or individually

Leadership Experience

## **REFERENCES**

Rachel Munsch

*Work Superior – Known 8 months*

Team Leader, Pensacola FL

MC252 Oil Spill

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Gail Stevens

*Work Superior – Known 8 years*

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