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## COVER LETTER

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Dear Hiring Manager,

I am writing to express my interest in your Traveling CNC Machinist, Lead CNC Machinist, or Manufacturing Contract position.

With more than 25 years of CNC machining experience and a proven history of successfully supporting manufacturing operations across defense, aerospace, oil & gas, industrial equipment, valve manufacturing, and high-production environments, I bring the technical expertise, adaptability, and work ethic required to become productive immediately in new facilities and challenging manufacturing environments.

Throughout my career, I have specialized in CNC machine setup, troubleshooting, production support, tooling adjustments, quality control, and maintaining tight tolerances while meeting demanding production schedules. My experience includes extensive work with Haas CNC lathes and mills, Doosan lathes, and Okuma lathes in both permanent and contract assignments.

Most recently, I have supported manufacturing operations through traveling contract assignments, including precision gear manufacturing at Columbia Gear Corporation and defense and aerospace manufacturing programs at Aerojet Rocketdyne. These opportunities required the ability to quickly integrate into new facilities, learn customer-specific processes, support production objectives, and consistently deliver quality results with minimal supervision.

In addition to my technical experience, I have served as a Lead CNC Machinist, assisting with employee training, troubleshooting production issues, improving manufacturing efficiency, and supporting daily shop floor operations. I have earned a reputation for reliability, professionalism, adaptability, and a willingness to take on challenging assignments wherever needed.

As a former DoD Security Clearance Holder, I understand the importance of accountability, quality standards, documentation requirements, and attention to detail in highly regulated manufacturing environments. Whether supporting defense programs, aerospace manufacturing, industrial production, or precision machining operations, I take pride in producing quality work while maintaining safety, productivity, and professionalism.

I am available for nationwide travel, contract assignments, overtime opportunities, rotating schedules, and long-term projects. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how my experience and background can contribute to your organization's success.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to speaking with you regarding current and future opportunities.

Respectfully,

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