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Mr. Joe Frye, Jr.  
North Carolina Coal Institute Inc.  
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Dear Mr. Frye:

On behalf of the College of Engineering, I express our appreciation for North Carolina Coal Institute Inc.'s gift of \$5,000.00 for the North Carolina Coal Institute Scholarship Fund. This generous gesture will benefit the college and its programs as we seek to provide the best in teaching, research and public service to students, to industry and to citizens within the Commonwealth and beyond.

Even during these tough economic times, College of Engineering alumni, friends and corporate partners continue to support our efforts, whether it is a scholarship, a building project, a research initiative, or a myriad of other endeavors. It is particularly heartening to me that so many of our alumni and friends answer our call to participate in offering students the best in engineering education. After all these years as Dean, I still say with great conviction that the UK engineering college is simply the best.

Certainly, we face challenges, however, I am confident that with continuing private support, the College of Engineering will remain a place where students grow, learn and achieve. Thank you again for being a part of the college's success story. With warm personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Lester', written over a white background.

Thomas W. Lester  
Dean

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