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RE: Request for approval of a non-Saint Louis University doctoral committee member

Dr. Fadel Megahed

Dear Dr. Weaver,

My doctoral student and mentee, Miao Cai, is making progress toward his dissertation titled “*Modeling Truck Safety Critical Events: Efficient Bayesian Hierarchical Statistical and Reliability Models*”. He is now preparing to defend his dissertation proposal at oral exam and has identified an external committee member because of his expertise to serve on his committee.

Dr. Fadel Megahed, is Neil R. Anderson Endowed Assistant Professor of Information Systems & Analytics at Miami University. He has published extensively on the impact of public policy on commercial vehicle crashes. He is also experienced in utilizing real-time data from APIs and developing new statistical surveillance approaches for traffic safety datasets.

I request approval for Dr. Fadel Megahed to serve as a member of Miao’s dissertation committee. I think you will agree this at-large member is well qualified to serve on this committee. Thank you in advance for considering this request.

Sincerely,

Steven E. Rigdon, PhD

Attachment: CV for Dr. Fadel Megahed

cc: Steven E. Rigdon, PhD,

Enbal Shacham, PhD, Director, Doctoral Program

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