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To Whom It May Concern

Stephan Gosselin has been skipper on my yacht Sapphire III from April through July 2016. He took over from the departing captain, and in short order, mastered the many details of running the boat, a CNB 76 sloop.

Stephan immediately set about improving both the mechanical glitches on the boat and the software applications we use for maintenance scheduling and accounting. Within a couple of weeks his efforts resulted in some real improvements to the boat. Stephan then supervised the yard work while the boat was on the hard in Fort Lauderdale.

Stephan's boat handling skills are exceptional. He prepares thoroughly before passages, checking weather forecasts and designing optimum routes. His pilotage near shore is sharp-eyed and he places high emphasis on safety at all times.

Stephan is a true professional seaman. He has an engaging personality with a quiet demeanor. He is reliable, very competent with a truly compatible personality on board.

I can happily recommend him for any future position as captain and engineer.

Sincerely,

John O'Connor