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Associate Cybersecurity Engineer Cover Letter

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Hiring Team
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Dear Hiring Team at Pioneer Auto Finance,

I am applying for the Associate Cybersecurity Engineer role at Pioneer Auto Finance. I have two years of experience supporting **alert triage**, security monitoring, detection engineering, and incident investigations in cloud-connected enterprise environments. The chance to help protect a finance organization's network, assets, and users is exciting to me.

In my current role at Northstar Mobility Finance, I triage **SIEM**, endpoint, email, and network alerts each day. I correlate authentication, process, DNS, and proxy evidence to separate real threats from routine activity, then document findings and recommend next steps. I write SIEM searches and dashboards for Windows, Active Directory, cloud, and web traffic sources.

My work includes **incident response** based on the **NIST Incident Response Life Cycle** and **MITRE ATT&CK Framework**. I use PowerShell, Python, command-line tools, Regex, and YARA to collect evidence, tune alert logic, and build detections. I have supported containment and recovery decisions with infrastructure teams and shared clear incident summaries with security leaders, application owners, and system administrators.

Pioneer Auto Finance's focus on monitoring, investigation, detection tuning, and teamwork fits the work I want to continue building. My cybersecurity degree, Security+ certification, and experience across endpoint, network, cloud, DLP, and web/email security would help me contribute from day one.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to discussing how I can support Pioneer Auto Finance's security team.

Sincerely,

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