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Quote Sheet: No. 2 ETSU 54, No. 7 Campbell 53

ETSU:

Head Coach Murry Bartow - *Opening statement*

"In this tournament, you have heard it said many times you have got to survive and advance. Doesn't matter if you win by one or win by 20 what matter is that you move on in the tournament. We have talked about the last six games coming into this tournament that we have won and there has been major adversity in five of the six wins and we talked a great deal about that. Sometimes it's not going to be the prettiest of games, but you've got to give Campbell and Coach Lang a lot of credit because they played their hearts out and tonight could've gone either way. I am just proud of our last guys and proud when we got that last stop when we needed to get it. Again we were up 15 and they made a great run and had a great chance to beat us, but we were fortunate and we have won the last seven games of the tournament and we are moving on to the next round."

Coach Bartow on Mike Smith taking over late

"When you are the player of the year in the league that's what you're supposed to do, you're supposed to take over games. If you're supposed to be the best player in the league then he supposed to take games over. Mike is a guy that is physical, tough, competes and can make free throws so he is a good guy to give the ball to late in games because he can make the big shot plus he can go in and score outside as well. Late in the game it is nice to have the ball in his hands."

Mike Smith - On he thought the game went towards the end

"Coach told us before the game about adversity and that there might be adversity in the game, but we held tough on that last play because we knew it depended on that last play. Fortunately we were able to get a steal on that last play and come away with the win."

CAMPBELL:

Head Coach Robbie Laing - *Opening statement*

"I thought two key points in tonight's game were late in the first half when Hartley went out. The lead for ETSU went from four to 11 points in that period going into half. Second, was when we were trying to come back late in the game and Smith got a couple isolations on the block and he gets back-to-back buckets. I believe he actually scored seven-straight points in that period and I think that was huge for them. Still, we fought back and we could've folded when we were down 13 but we kept chipping away and kept our composure. We couldn't have asked for a better scenario having the ball down one with 22 seconds left and a chance to control your own destiny, but we just didn't handle it the way we would've liked to."

Eric Griffin - *Talk about that stretch in second half when you guys made your run*

"I was just trying to help my teammates the best that I can. Scored a couple points and helped out on defense. In the first half they really stopped me by doubling me so I just tried to help my team the best I could in the second half by doing other things."