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Coach Mike Bradbury:

It was the game that was expected - hard fought. It was a game that had big runs both ways. They fought back, and I thought it was really competitive. I thought both teams really competed at a high level.

We came out in the second half and we made a bunch of shots in a row. We got a little separation and then it evened out. It was the game we expected. They were too talented to go away. They got right back in it.

First half, our man-to-man defense was as good as it's been all year. In the second half, they made a lot of shots, and to their credit, every time they got open, they knocked it in. So that is something that is kind of concerning that we'll have to address.

Cherise Beynon:

We want to get as many quick buckets as possible, as you can see in the third quarter and fourth quarter. That's our style of play, and we executed it very well today.

We knew they weren't going away. They're a good team, and we each play really hard, so we knew we couldn't let up and it was an intense game for the entire 40 minutes.

Alex Lapeyrolerie:

I was focusing on trusting in my teammates and getting into a rhythm where we're getting good shots and taking good shots. I definitely felt I had to step up for the team. You know, it was a team effort, and when one of us falls, we each have to step it up.