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Subject: Letter of Support for the Proposal of Newberry Volcano Geothermal Area for the Frontier Observatory for Research in Geothermal Energy (FORGE)

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is on behalf of the City of La Pine, Oregon to express support for consideration of the Newberry Volcano area in Central Oregon regarding phase II of the Frontier Observatory for Research in Geothermal Energy (FORGE), by way of the Newberry Geothermal Energy team of AltaRock Energy Inc., Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Oregon State University, GE Global Research and Statoil.

In our view, the NEWGEN FORGE site makes for an ideal location and platform on which to build FORGE and optimize its success. We also support collaborative efforts between Oregon State University (OSU) Cascades, the Pacific Northwest Laboratory and affiliated institutions for research performed at the Newberry Volcano geothermal project site and its prospective contributions to vital national interest in alternative renewable energy sources.

We are proud of the research and efforts that Phase I of NEWGEN FORGE project has already produced and strongly support their application for Phase II. Please contact either Rick Allen or myself – Ken Mulenex – if we can provide you with any further information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


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