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Committee on Natural Resources
1324 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Subject: Advancing Geothermal Energy: Support for FY2025 Budget Reconciliation Measures

Dear Esteemed Members of the House Committee on Natural Resources

On behalf of Ormat Technologies I am writing in support of the Committee's legislative proposals to comply with the reconciliation directive included in section 2001 of the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, H. Con. Res.14.

With over 60 years of innovation and leadership, Ormat Technologies, Inc. is the largest owner and operator of geothermal power in the United States and the only fully vertically integrated geothermal company in the world. Headquartered in Reno, Nevada, Ormat employs more than 1,600 professionals globally and has developed, designed, manufactured, and commissioned geothermal power plants totaling approximately 3,400 megawatts (MW) of gross capacity across more than 30 countries.

In Nevada alone, Ormat operates 12 geothermal complexes with a combined capacity of 483 MW, supported by a dedicated workforce of 433 employees. These operations supply reliable baseload power to hundreds of thousands of homes, contribute over \$30 million annually in taxes, royalties, and economic benefits, and help avoid the emission of 59 million metric tons of CO₂—demonstrating Ormat's long-standing commitment to sustainable energy development and responsible resource management.

Ormat has extensive experience on public lands with over 22 operating facilities utilizing 300,920 acres on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands in California, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah.

Ormat strongly supports the geothermal permitting reforms in the Committee's legislation. These reforms would advance the deployment of geothermal energy and would ensure that geothermal plants receive fair royalty treatment. We strongly support these measures and we urge you to advance this critical legislation as expeditiously as possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marisol Collons", written over a light blue horizontal line.

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