



January 20, 2023

Bureau of Land Management
Attn: FERVO Geothermal
176 DL Sargent Drive,
Cedar City, UT 84721

Dear Bureau of Land Management,

Utah Clean Energy (UCE) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit working to catalyze a rapid energy transition and position Utah as a bold climate leader. A important component of our future electricity generation system will be having firm, clean energy power production. Advanced geothermal is a promising new technology that has enormous potential to be a key part of a low-cost and reliable electricity system. We are excited to see new projects pioneering this new technology in Utah. The first two phases of the Cape Modern project is slated to produce 53 MW of firm, clean power and there is the potential for much more development at the site and nearby. Furthermore, the first two phases of the project are expected to create more than 1,200 jobs during the construction period, and 50 permanent jobs thereafter. The construction of this project will represent a \$300 million dollar investment. This economic activity and development are extremely important for supporting Utah's rural economy.

While evaluating the specifics of the Cape Modern Environmental Assessment is beyond our expertise, we are writing to request that the Bureau of Land Management conduct a rapid and thorough review of the project so that it may proceed expeditiously. Rapid deployment of advanced geothermal technology will accelerate clean energy production in Utah, help the U.S. meet emission reduction goals, and ensure the U.S. is a leader in advanced geothermal technology that has potential to be deployed worldwide.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Logan Mitchell".

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