



August 1, 2022

Long Valley Hydrologic Action Committee (LVHAC)
C/O Mono County Community Development Department
P.O. Box 347
Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

Re: Mammoth Pacific Proposal to Change Monitoring Entity

Dear LVHAC Members,

Mammoth Pacific, L.P. (“Mammoth Pacific”) appreciates the opportunity to present background information to the Long Valley Hydrologic Advisory Committee (“LVHAC”) on Mammoth Pacific’s proposal to change the entity collecting and reporting hydrological monitoring at Mammoth Pacific’s geothermal facility.

At the August 3, 2022, LVHAC meeting, Mammoth Pacific and its consultant will introduce the proposed approach for the monitoring. Mammoth Pacific understands that a second meeting will be set up for Mono County and the United States Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”) to obtain feedback from LVHAC on this proposal.

By way of background, Mammoth Pacific is seeking to have McGinley & Associates, Inc. (“McGinley”) retained to complete the monitoring and reporting, without a change in sampling or procedures. Currently this work is completed by the United States Geological Survey (“USGS”). McGinley is a highly respected environmental consultant. As shown in the attached proposal letters, McGinley has extensive experience in the collection and monitoring of surface water and groundwater sources across Nevada and California. In fact, Mono County itself currently retains McGinley for other sampling services and McGinley previously built a web-based data portal for monitoring at the Mammoth Geothermal Complex. While fully capable, as a private entity McGinley can complete the work at a lower cost and provide additional cost documentation as needed, compared to the current contractor.

McGinley will satisfy all the requirements for the monitoring services. All samples will be analyzed by a California-certified environmental laboratory that performs Title 22 analyses. All sampling and document preparation will be completed by, or under the direct supervision of, a California-licensed Professional Engineer, Geologist or Hydrogeologist. The monitoring will comply with the use permit, the United States Forest Service Record of Decision, and the Settlement Agreement and Monitoring Plan (“the Governing Documents”). McGinley will provide an annual monitoring plan proposing each year’s activities with an opportunity for LVHAC review and comment. If not directly contracted with Mono County, the contract for monitoring will include a provision giving Mono County (with input from LVHAC) the ability to direct McGinley as needed to ensure compliance with the

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Governing Documents. Finally, McGinley will provide monitoring data and reports in a form and frequency acceptable to Mono County (with input from LVHAC) and will demonstrate compliance with the Governing Documents.

Mammoth Pacific has discussed with Mono County and BLM two options for the contract structure: direct contract or passthrough. For Units G1 through G3, Mammoth Pacific could (1) contract with McGinley directly, with Mono County having authority to direct work consistent with the Governing Documents or (2) enter into a passthrough agreement with Mono County where Mono County contracts with McGinley and Mammoth Pacific agrees to cover the costs of the contract. For Casa Diablo IV, Mammoth Pacific could (1) contract with McGinley directly with BLM having the authority to direct work or (2) enter into a passthrough agreement with BLM where BLM contracts with McGinley and Mammoth Pacific agrees to pay BLM for the cost of the contract. Mammoth Pacific and Mono County seek input from LVHAC on these two contracting approaches.

We look forward to the opportunity to present these options to the LVHAC at the upcoming August 3 meeting. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul A. Thomsen".

Paul Thomsen
Vice President, Business Development

Enclosures (2) – McGinley Proposals