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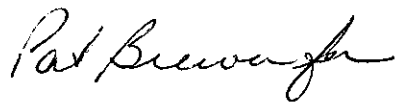
Dear Mr. Ginsberg,

On October 29, 2010, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) reopened the public comment period for proposed revisions to the Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) requirements for the Portland General Electric (PGE) Boardman Power Plant. The objective of reopening the public comment period is to consider to an alternative to DEQ's second option that was proposed by PGE. The proposal currently under consideration would modify DEQ's Option 2 by extending the plant closure date two years to December 2020. PGE proposes a lower emissions requirement for sulfur dioxide (SO₂) for 2018 to 2020, but also proposes emissions testing to assure that this lower emission limit would be achievable without requiring additional control equipment.

The National Park Service commented on October 1, 2010 on three DEQ options, and we refer DEQ to those technical comments. We continue to support DEQ's proposal as preferable to the PGE alternative currently under consideration.

We appreciate the opportunity to work with Oregon DEQ to improve visibility at our Class I national parks and wilderness areas. For further information regarding our comments, please contact Don Shepherd of my staff at (303) 969-2075.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pat Brewster". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

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