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I am extremely pleased to be able to provide this letter of support and look forward to this partnering opportunity. Please contact me if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark N. Templeton", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mark N. Templeton

Director

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