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California to Host Ultimate Geothermal Energy Event in October

Sacramento, California, USA: California will host the geothermal energy event of the year from October 23-26, just 9 weeks away. This event brings together key players in policy, technology, and industry at the Sacramento Convention Center -- the GRC Annual Meeting & GEA GEOEXPO+. Last year, the event hosted more than 1,200 representatives from over 25 countries spanning six continents. With the strong growth in the world market and positive role of policy and new technology that supports that growth an even larger and more diverse crowd is anticipated this year.

The <u>GRC Annual Meeting</u> features over 40 hours of technical presentations, workshops, fieldtrips, a plenary session, networking events and more. The GRC Technical Session programs will cover a wide array of topics pertaining to geothermal energy. The program will cover exciting technological developments such as the work of the DOE in low-temperature systems, innovative drilling tech, and hybrid systems including geothermal mixed with solar at a time when new technological advances are advancing the geothermal industry at a rapid pace.

Four <u>workshops</u> and four <u>fieldtrips</u> will be held at the event. The two-day Conceptual Models of Geothermal Systems and Reservoir Stimulation workshops and a one day Operations & Maintenance workshop. In addition, there will be a special Geothermal 101 workshop. The <u>fieldtrips</u> will include excursions to The Geysers, the largest geothermal field in the world.

The GRC Annual Meeting this year supports the theme "Geothermal Energy - Here and Now: Sustainable, Clean, Flexible" highlighting the important role and values of geothermal energy today.

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"This will be the 40th year the GRC has brought together the US and international geothermal community," said Steve Ponder, GRC Executive Director. Registration is now open for the <u>GRC Annual Meeting</u>.

The GEA is launching an expanded and newly branded event the GEA GEOEXPO+. The event brings to life the theme "Leading Innovation. Fostering Cooperation." "It takes the best technology, and a top-notch team to succeed in today's marketplace, and the GEA GEOEXPO+ is meant to facilitate both," said Karl Gawell, GEA's Executive Director. Who are the game changers in the geothermal energy industry? Check out the session *Exhibitors Leading Innovation* at the GEA Marketing Forum to see how GEA's 2016 Exhibitors are paving the way for geothermal development through new projects, products/ services, and technology.

Interested in how federal and multilateral agencies can help geothermal power and possibly your business? Representatives from OPIC, USTDA, World Bank, Ex-Im Bank, US DOE GTO, USAID amongst others will step onto the Marketing Forum stage for the <u>Agency Briefing</u>. The goal- to bridge the gap between US companies and agency opportunities related to financing, grants, project work and resources. Other sessions include a KfW Development Bank Finance, Grant and Investment Workshop.

Visitor registration for the <u>GEA GEOEXPO+</u> is now <u>open</u> and the GEA <u>Marketing Forum Agenda</u> was released last week. With a multi-dimensional 3-day trade show and marketing forum and ample opportunities for networking, the <u>GEA GEOEXPO+</u> presents attendees with the opportunity to maximize their exposure at a premier event.

The neighboring Sheraton Grand and Hyatt Regency hotels offer <u>a discounted block of rooms</u>. The discount ends September 28.

If you want to learn more about attending the <u>GRC Annual Meeting</u> contact Estela Smith at +1 (530) 758-2360 or <u>grc@geothermal.org</u>. If your company has an interest in attending the <u>GEA GEOEXPO+</u> contact Rani Chatrath +1 (202) 454-5261 or <u>Rani@geo-energy.org</u>.

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About the Geothermal Resources Council:

With the experience and dedication of its diverse, international membership bolstering a more than 40-year track record, the Geothermal Resources Council has built a solid reputation as one of the world's preeminent geothermal associations. The GRC serves as a focal point for continuing professional development for its members through its outreach, information transfer and education services.

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About the Geothermal Energy Association:

The Geothermal Energy Association (GEA) is a trade association comprised of U.S. companies that support the expanded use of geothermal energy and are developing geothermal resources worldwide for electrical power generation and direct-heat uses.

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