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To Whom it May Concern:

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Andrew Hennes and I am currently serving as the president of the Montana Geological Society here in Billings, MT. I am a practicing professional geologist in the petroleum industry and beneficiary of a Montana geology education (BS, UM 2002), which makes me all the more honored to be able to contact you today.

On behalf of the Montana Geological Society, it is my pleasure to introduce the Montana Geological Society Scholarship Program. In alignment with our societies' objectives to "promote interest and research in geology and allied sciences and their practical application, and to encourage fellowship and cooperation among the members" the purpose of our scholarship is to partially fund (to the tune of \$2000) meaningful Montana geology related research conducted by students attending a Montana school and provide them a venue to present their work to a broader audience of Montana geologists. Please find the enclosed scholarship program document detailing the scholarship application process, which has an application deadline of February 1st. I hope students will find the process straightforward and a valuable use of their time. Please share the enclosed scholarship program document (and even this letter) to all students and faculty in the department.

The Montana Geological Society is striving to build and maintain relationships with all the geology departments in the state. We feel very fortunate to already have some active participation from schools around the state. The Montana Geological Society was founded in 1949 and currently has nearly 200 members consisting primarily of professionals in the petroleum and environmental industries as well as some students and faculty all with a genuine interest in our science. In addition to the scholarship I would encourage any students and faculty to visit our webpage (montanags.com) and consider a membership (which is certainly not required for the scholarship).

Please do not hesitate to contact me (406-245-6248) with any questions regarding the scholarship program or the Montana Geological Society. I sincerely look forward to a continued relationship with all Montana schools.

Happy Holidays.

Sincerely,

Andrew Hennes
President, Montana Geological Society

Enclosure