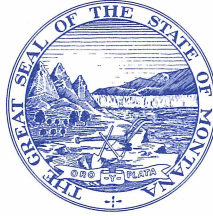


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To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to convey my enthusiastic support for the Inter-Tribal Energy & Tech Tour. Redbridge CEO, Shannon Hulbert is an enrolled member of the Yurok Tribe with family ties to San Carlos Apache and Salt River Pima Tribes. She has a passion for helping tribes navigate energy opportunities and the energy and marketing experience to deliver the project successfully.

The state of Montana is home to 65,000 Native Americans. In 1991, The Northwest Power Planning Council estimated tribal lands could support up to 15,000 MW of generation. Montana Energy Policy "promotes energy-efficiency, conservation, production and consumption of reliable and efficient mix of energy resources that represent the lease social, environmental and economic cost and the greatest long-term benefits to our citizens." As Senator of Senate District 16, serving as chairman of the State-Tribal Relations Committee and Education and Local Government Interim Committee, I can attest to the positive impact the Tour will have on tribal students, communities and government-to-government relations.

The Tour will educate tribal youth and their communities about the potential to further energy and technology development on tribal lands and foster project collaboration. The Tour serves to educate tomorrow's tribal leadership on energy and technology partnership in a way that will generate awareness and benefit native tribes regionally, and throughout the country. I support the continued success of the Tour and its mission to educate tomorrow's tribal, state and civic leaders, today.

Sincerely,

Senator Jonathan Windy Boy, SD 16