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GEOTHERMAL RISING

Candidates for Board of Directors Applicant Form 2027-2029 3 Year Term

Personal Information

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Organization and Title (optional)	San Joaquin Bit-Director of Sales & Operations Geothermal

Please provide a brief candidate biography and statement describing your background and qualifications for serving on the Board (maximum 750 words).

My name is Brian Krause, and I am the Global Sales and Marketing Director for San Joaquin Bit Services, based in California. This month, we are celebrating our 45th anniversary. With 30 years of experience in the geothermal industry worldwide, I bring extensive expertise to the table. I have been actively involved in significant industry innovations, including recent projects like Forge, Fervo, and Eavor, and I am excited to contribute to future technological advancements.

I first got into geothermal energy in the mid-'90s when I was delivering tools and parts to Coso during my days off from working on drilling rigs. My experience with geothermal drilling began around 1997 when I started working as an MWD engineer for Halliburton. I was fortunate to have access to several geothermal hotspots, including Coso, the Salton Sea, the Geysers, Puna, and Newberry Crater. Since then, I've expanded my experience to include work in geothermal hotspots around the world, including Milford, Utah, Hawaii, Lightning Dock, New Mexico, Guatemala, Japan, Indonesia, Kenya, Mexico, Iceland, the Caribbean, and more.

I am the former President and current Board of Directors member for The Geothermal Golf Tournament, which is celebrating its 38th year this year. Additionally, I have served as the President of the American Association of Drilling Engineers (West Coast Chapter) and continue to serve as a Board member. I am also engaged with several other nonprofits in California.

I would like to join the GR Board to contribute to the growth of this incredible Association. I am eager to help raise awareness about our industry and the positive impact we are making on the planet through clean energy initiatives. I'm also excited about the opportunity to network, have fun, and engage with others who share these goals.

Your Personal Geothermal Rising Involvement statement (Maximum 500 words).

I have been personally involved with Geothermal Rising and the GRC since around 2006. Over the years, I have attended the conference regularly and participated as an exhibitor, working booths and representing companies within the geothermal industry. My involvement has given me the opportunity to build lasting relationships, support the geothermal community, and stay actively engaged with others throughout the industry. I have also been involved with the Geothermal Rising Golf Tournament, helping organize and manage the event for three years. I value the relationships I have built through Geothermal Rising and look forward to continuing to contribute my time, experience, and industry knowledge to the organization.

Statement of your personal plan if elected (Maximum 500 words).

My goal is to continue promoting Geothermal Rising and advocating for geothermal energy through my involvement with industry boards, committees, operators, service companies, and subject matter experts. I also want to use my involvement outside the geothermal industry to help educate others about the benefits of safe, clean, and reliable geothermal energy.

I believe strongly in advancing technology and supporting innovation that makes geothermal drilling and development more efficient and successful. I also want to be a strong voice for service companies. We are on the front lines, applying new processes, introducing new tools, solving problems, and helping move the industry forward.

Just as important, I believe in bringing people together and making our industry enjoyable. Through my involvement with the Geothermal Golf Tournament, I've seen firsthand how relationships, scholarships, networking, and even a little friendly competition can strengthen our geothermal community. I want to continue giving back to an industry that has given me so much over the past 30 years.

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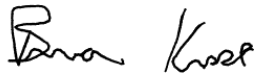

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