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The Geothermal Industry is Hiring

GEA Geothermal Expo to Feature Virtual Job Fair

The renewable energy sector continues to offer a bright spot for job seekers, even as the United States faces historically high unemployment rates. To connect qualified applicants with the industry's leading companies, the Geothermal Energy Association (GEA) announces that it will host a virtual job fair at the 2010 Geothermal Energy Expo, held in Sacramento Oct. 23-27. The Expo brings together over 2,500 attendees and more than 160 exhibiting companies to showcase projects, equipment, services, and state of the art technology.

"There has been sustained growth in the geothermal industry despite the recession, and we foresee even more aggressive expansion coming in the next several years," said GEA Executive Director Karl Gawell. "Geothermal projects that are currently in advanced stages of development in the states of Nevada, California, and Utah alone have the potential to create more than 2,500 permanent full-time positions and nearly 10,000 annual construction jobs," GEA estimates in a new report, *Green Jobs Through Geothermal Energy*, to be released at the Expo. GEA will also release *US Geothermal Education and Training Guide*, a survey of the colleges and universities across America with undergraduate, graduate, and certification programs related to geothermal.

The "virtual job fair" will feature leading geothermal industry employers including Ormat, POWER Engineers, Kelly Pipe, RMT Inc., DHI Services, Cryostar, The Avogadro Group, and the Department of Navy. Registered attendees can pick up a Job Fair map at the GEA Expo Registration at the Sacramento Convention Center. The Job Fair map will point them to Expo Hall exhibitors that are hiring. At participating exhibitors' booth, attendees can obtain more information about the company and available positions. Interviews will not be conducted on site. To register, please visit www.geothermalenergy2010.com/visitors.asp. Complimentary admission is available to college students with valid credentials.

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More information, including the exhibitor list and schedule, is at: www.geothermalenergy2010.com

About the Geothermal Energy Association:

The Geothermal Energy Association (GEA) is a trade association composed of U.S. companies who support the expanded use of geothermal energy and are developing geothermal resources worldwide for electrical power generation and direct-heat uses. GEA advocates for public policies that will promote the development and utilization of geothermal resources, provides a forum for the industry to discuss issues and problems, encourages research and development to improve geothermal technologies, presents industry views to governmental organizations, provides assistance for the export of geothermal goods and services, compiles statistical data about the geothermal industry, and conducts education and outreach projects. For more information, please visit <http://www.geo-energy.org/>. Check out GEA's YouTube Channel. Follow GEA on Twitter. Become a fan on Facebook.

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