



October 16, 2006

Mr. Jason Spadaro
Broughton Lumber Company
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Dear Mr. Spadaro:

Please accept this letter offering support of the Broughton Landing Development Project. Bonneville Hot Springs Resort recognizes the direct benefits to Skamania County and the Columbia River Gorge with the approval of such a project.

I understand that over 250 full-time jobs will be created during construction alone, with 60 on-going positions available during operation of the resort. The boost to our local economy through increased visitor spending (estimated at \$8 million annually) along with the increased property and hotel/motel tax revenues (estimated at over \$1 million) will have a significant impact.

Excitement of the project can only create more awareness to the region while supplying more of an employee pool which is sorely needed. This project will also improve the scenic beauty of the area by replacing a dilapidated mill site with an outstanding recreational facility.

Sincerely,

Gary Sorrels
General Manager