

1       **STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING OF COOPERATIVE LICENSURE BETWEEN**  
2       **U.S. JURISDICTIONAL ENTITIES (U.S. STATES AND ITS TERRITORIES)**

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4                               **between**

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6                   **the (State or Territory) Board of Professional Geologists**

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10                   **the (State or Territory) Board of Professional Geologists**

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12   The Boards of Licensure\* for Geologists (or similar designation) of (state or territory  
13   name) and (state or territory name) hereby enter into a common understanding  
14   concerning licensure of Licensed\*\* Professional Geologists by cooperative licensure,  
15   aka reciprocity or comity, subject to the provisions listed below:  
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- 17   1)     Any written Association of State Boards of Geology (ASBOG) examination(s)  
18         administered by either Board shall be accepted by the other in considering  
19         applicants for licensure by cooperative licensure.  
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21   2)     Either Board may require an additional examination(s) related specifically to the  
22         practice of professional geology in that state (territory).  
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24   3)     Evidence of a valid certificate of licensure from one of the states (and/or  
25         territories) is required for licensure by cooperative licensure in the other. The  
26         candidate requesting cooperative licensure must be in good standing with the  
27         state (or territory) in which that person holds a current licensure as a  
28         professional geologist.  
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30   4)     Applicants for licensure by cooperative licensure who were licensed under the  
31         grandfathering (grandparenting) provisions of the state (or territory) in which  
32         s/he currently hold a license may be exempted from a written examination(s)  
33         upon verification of the applicant meeting all of the following conditions:  
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35         a)     Educational requirements in the state (territory) where cooperative  
36                 licensure is desired;  
37         b)     At least five (5) years of responsible geologic/geoscientific professional  
38                 work experience since the date of her/his licensure;  
39         c)     Licensure was maintained continuously during those five (5) years;  
40         d)     No substantiated complaints and/or disciplinary action(s) have ever been  
41                 taken against the licensee (registrant) in any jurisdiction.  
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43         Further, before issuing a license, the board where cooperative licensure is  
44         desired reserves the right to require that an applicant meet any or all of the

- 45 statutory licensing requirements that were not met, waived, or otherwise  
 46 modified in the state (territory) where the applicant is currently licensed.
- 47 5) Applicants must submit a completed application, required documentation, and  
 48 fees to the board in which s/he desires to be licensed. The applicant seeking  
 49 licensure under the terms and conditions of this agreement shall direct the state  
 50 (or territory) in which s/he is currently licensed to send certified copies of the  
 51 contents of her/his licensure file(s) sent directly to the state (or territory) in which  
 52 s/he wishes to be licensed, at her/his expense.
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- 54 6) Each board reserves the right to accept an application for cooperative licensure,  
 55 to request additional information from the applicant, or reject an application for  
 56 cause as governed by their respective laws or rules.
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- 58 7) Each board will inform the other board, as soon as practicable, of any  
 59 disciplinary action(s) taken against any licensed geologist that was licensed  
 60 under the terms and conditions of this agreement.
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- 62 8) Each board will develop and maintain documentation of the individuals that are  
 63 approved for licensure under the terms and conditions of this agreement and will  
 64 make this information available to the other board.
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- 66 9) This agreement shall be in full force and effect on (Month, Day), 20\_\_\_\_ and shall  
 67 remain in full force and effect unless cancelled, in writing, and by majority vote of  
 68 either Board.
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Date	Date
Chairman/President Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists	Chairman/President Board of Licensure for Professional Geologists

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- 80 \* - Every instance of the term "licensure" may be replaced by other similar  
 81 terms, i.e. registration or certification
- 82 \*\* - Every instance of the term "licensed" may be replaced by other similar  
 83 terms, i.e. registered or certified
- 84 \*\*\* - Every instance of the term "geologist" may be replaced by other similar  
 85 terms including geoscientist.