ORPC Represented at United Nations Climate Change Conference

*Chilean Nongovernmental Organization Introducing ORPC’s Sustainable Energy Solution*

Portland, Maine, December 11, 2019 - Ocean Renewable Power Company, Inc. (ORPC), announced today that Chilean nongovernmental organization, NRGizar, dedicated to the development of community-scale renewable energy, particularly marine renewable energy, in remote regions of southern and central Chile, is representing ORPC at the United Nations (U.N.) Climate Change Conference COP 25. The foremost global forum for multilateral discussion of climate change matters, COP 25 is in progress and will conclude on December 13 in Madrid, Spain.

Selected as a nonprofit observer for the conference, NRGizar, represents private companies and engineers, geophysicists and oceanographers in central and southern Chile dedicated to providing professional development opportunities at no charge to young people in remote regions of Chile. NRGizar founder, Sergio Andrade, and ORPC business development consultant for Chile, will present at COP 25 on “Energy dignity in rural areas,” on December 12 and 13, and NRGizar will be an exhibitor at the conference on December 13.

“We embrace ORPC and its proven river and tidal power systems as a means to strengthen rural Chile’s resilience to the increasing effects of climate change, and to provide energy hope and dignity to our rural communities and young people,” said Mr. Andrade.

ORPC President, John Ferland, remarked, “NRGizar’s work in Chile perfectly aligns with ORPC’s efforts to serve remote markets globally and provide clean, affordable energy while ensuring positive, local economic results. We are most concerned with remote communities and facilities in Canada, Chile and the U.S. that have no access to regional power grids, rely solely on diesel or other fossil fuel to power their homes and are experiencing the first, most significant effects of climate change.”

ORPC launched its first commercial product, the RivGen® Power System, in July in the remote village of Igiugig, Alaska, where the system was installed and is now operating in the nearby Kvichak River. The company plans to install a second RivGen device, along with smart microgrid controls and electronics, and an energy storage system, over the next 18 months,

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creating a sustainable energy solution that ORPC estimates will reduce the community’s diesel fuel use by 90 percent.

ORPC, whose mission is to improve people’s lives and their environment through sustainable energy solutions, is the only company to have built, operated and delivered power to a utility grid from a tidal energy project (in Maine), and to a remote community grid from a river energy project (in Alaska). ORPC remains committed to its founding principle of working collaboratively with all stakeholders and local contractors to create economic development opportunities. In addition to its Portland, Maine, company headquarters, ORPC has offices in Montreal (ORPC Canada) and Dublin (ORPC Ireland), an operations center in Eastport, Maine, and a project office in Anchorage, Alaska. For more information, visit www.orpc.co.

Representing Chilean NGO, NRGizar, and ORPC, Sergio Andrade will present at the U.N. Climate Change Conference in Madrid, Spain, on December 12 and 13, 2019.

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