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Phil Goode Director, Big Bear Solar Observatory New Jersey Institute of Technology

Dear Phil,

Your plan to upgrade the BBSO telescope to 1.6m is exciting and I believe will be of significant value to Solar Physics in the US. It will not only provide key data but will enhance collaborative investigations with SOHO/MDI and the new NASA Solar Dynamics Observatory mission. This new instrument will also allow graduate students to be involved in state-of-the-art solar instrumentation development. I look forward to seeing first-light.

Sincerely,

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