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Form **990-EZ**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Short Form**
Return of Organization Exempt From Income TaxUnder section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$500,000 and total assets less than \$1,250,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

OMB No 1545-1150

2009**Open to Public Inspection****A** For the 2009 calendar year, or tax year beginning **Jan**, 2009, and ending **Dec**, 20 09**B** Check if applicable:

- ☐ Address change
☐ Name change
☒ Initial return
☐ Terminated
☐ Amended return
☒ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization**Geologic TimeScale Foundation, Incorporated**

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite

1224 North Salisbury Street

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

West Lafayette, IN 47906-2416**D** Employer identification number**26-4196918****E** Telephone number**765-743-0400****F** Group Exemption Number ▶

• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

G Accounting Method. ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual
Other (specify) ▶**I** Website: ▶ **not yet (but sponsor http://stratigraphy.science.purdue.edu for education)****J** Tax-exempt status (check only one) — ☒ 501(c) (3) ◀ (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**H** Check ☐ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).**K** Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.**L** Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ \$**Part I** **Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (See the instructions for Part I.)

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	66278.50
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	0
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	0
	4	Investment income	4	0
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	0
	5b	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	0
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	0
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
	a	Gross revenue (not including \$1,250,000 of contributions reported on line 1)	6a	0
Expenses	b	Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	6b	0
	c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c	0
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	0
	b	Less: cost of goods sold	7b	0
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	0
	8	Other revenue (describe ▶)	8	0
	9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8	9	66278.50
	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	19550
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	0
Net Assets	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	0
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	0
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	0
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	461
	16	Other expenses (describe ▶ Banking, communications, travel, software – see schedule)	16	4204
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	24215
	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	42063.50
19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	0	
20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	0	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	42063.50	

Part II **Balance Sheets.** If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$1,250,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ.

(See the instructions for Part II.)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	0	42063.50
23 Land and buildings	0	0
24 Other assets (describe ▶)	0	0
25 Total assets	0	42063.50
26 Total liabilities (describe ▶)	0	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	0	42063.50

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Expenses

(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)

28	Purdue University, Dept Earth & Atmos programs in Earth-history research 12 undergraduate students were provided with research assistantships in 2009 for global or regional Earth-history datasets, and one graduate student for enhancing the Earth-history visualization (Grants \$ 15,000) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	15,000
29	Purdue University, Dept Earth & Atmos programs in Earth-history instruction This subsidized field trips, materials and teaching assistantships for about five courses (ca. 30 students) (Grants \$ 4,000) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	4,000
30	Two Purdue University computer-science students were supported to enhance TimeScale Creator software for the public viewing system (www.tscreator.org) supported by the Foundation (Grants \$ 550) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	659
31	Other program services (attach schedule) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	19,659

(a) Name and address

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Part V Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of each activity	33	✓
34 Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes	34	✓
35 If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T.		
a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?	35a	✓
b If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	35b	
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36	✓
37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a 0		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	✓
38a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the period covered by this return?	38a	✓
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b		
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter.		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39a 0		
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39b 0		
40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0 ; section 4912 ▶ 0 ; section 4955 ▶ 0		
b Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or is it aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b	✓
c Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ 0		
d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ 0		
e All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T.	40e	✓
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. ▶ Indiana		
42a The organization's books are in care of ▶ Gabrielle M. Ogg Telephone no. ▶ 765-743-0400 Located at ▶ 1224 North Salisbury Street, West Lafayette, IN ZIP + 4 ▶ 47906-2416		
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	42b	✓
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.?	42c	✓
If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶		
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43		
44 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44	✓
45 Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	45	✓

Part VI

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only. All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 46–49b and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

	Yes	No
46 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

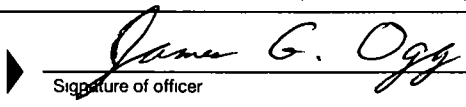
(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				0
				0

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 **0**

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		0
		0

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 **0**

Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
	 Signature of officer		14 Apr 2010 Date	
	James G. Ogg, Executive Director Type or print name and title			
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's identifying number (See instructions)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4	EIN		Phone no
	May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support
Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Name of the organization

Geologic TimeScale Foundation, Incorporated

Employer identification number

26 4196918

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 ☐ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☒ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3 % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3 % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
- a ☐ Type I b ☐ Type II c ☐ Type III—Functionally integrated d ☐ Type III—Other
- e ☐ By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box ☐
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?
- (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization? ☐
- (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above? ☐
- (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above? ☐
- h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	%
16a 33 1/3 % support test—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3 % support test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")					66278.50	66278.50
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose					0	0
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513					0	0
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf					0	0
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge					0	0
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5					66278.50	66278.50
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons					0	0
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year					0	0
c Add lines 7a and 7b					0	0
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						66278.50

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) 2009	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6					66278.50	66278.50
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources					0	0
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975					0	0
c Add lines 10a and 10b					0	0
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on					0	0
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)					0	0
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)					66278.50	66278.50
14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2009 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2009 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2008 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	0 %
19a 33⅓% support tests—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33⅓%, and line 17 is not more than 33⅓%, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33⅓% support tests—2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33⅓%, and line 18 is not more than 33⅓%, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► <input type="checkbox"/>		

Part IV

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. See instructions.

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Office of the Secretary of State

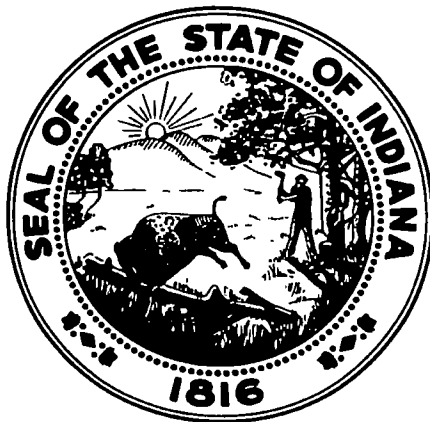
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Foundation
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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
of

GEOLOGIC TIMESCALE FOUNDATION, INC.

I, Todd Rokita, Secretary of State of Indiana, hereby certify that Articles of Incorporation of the above Non-Profit Domestic Corporation have been presented to me at my office, accompanied by the fees prescribed by law and that the documentation presented confirms to law as prescribed by the provisions of the Indiana Nonprofit Corporation Act of 1991.

NOW, THEREFORE, with this document I certify that said transaction will become effective Thursday, February 05, 2009



In Witness Whereof, I have caused to be affixed my signature and the seal of the State of Indiana, at the City of Indianapolis, February 05, 2009

Todd Rokita

TODD ROKITA,
SECRETARY OF STATE

APPROVED AND FILED
TODD ROKITA
INDIANA SECRETARY OF STATE
2/5/2009 10:45 AM

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Formed pursuant to the provisions of the Indiana Nonprofit Corporation Act of 1991.

ARTICLE I – NAME AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

GEOLOGIC TIMESCALE FOUNDATION, INC.
1224 North Salisbury Street, West Lafayette, IN 47906

ARTICLE II – REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

James G. Ogg
1224 North Salisbury Street, West Lafayette, IN 47906

ARTICLE III – INCORPORATORS

James G. Ogg
1224 North Salisbury Street, West Lafayette, IN 47906
Signature: James G. Ogg

ARTICLE IV – GENERAL INFORMATION

Effective Date: 2/5/2009

Type of Corporation: Public Benefit Corporation

Does the corporation have members?: No

The purposes/nature of business

The Corporation is organized as a tax exempt corporation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of the federal tax code, for the exclusive scientific and educational purposes, which include:

- to support and conduct non-partisan research, education, and informational activities to increase international public awareness of Earth's history and the geologic history of other planets;
- to develop, compile, enhance and provide databases, visualization software and software datapacks for global and regional aspects of Earth's history and the geologic history of other planets;
- creation, generation and distribution of time scale publications, including books, information websites, charts and wall-chart posters; and
- to provide scholarships in stratigraphy, Earth history and related fields.

Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation

Upon the time of dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed by the Board of Directors, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all debts, obligations, liabilities, costs and expenses of the corporation, for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE V

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation and no act or activity of the Corporation shall result in pecuniary benefit to its directors, officers or any other private persons, except reasonable compensation for services. The Corporation shall not engage in any act or activity which will jeopardize the status of the Corporation as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Geologic TimeScale Foundation, Inc.

EIN 26-4196918



Articles of Incorporation **Geologic TimeScale Foundation, Inc.**

Articles of Incorporation of the undersigned, a majority of whom are citizens of the United States, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation under the Non-Profit Corporation Law of Indiana, do hereby certify:

ARTICLE I NAME/REGISTERED OFFICE

The name of this corporation shall be: **Geologic TimeScale Foundation, Inc.**

The corporation's registered office is located at: **1224 N. Salisbury Street, West Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, USA 47906.**

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

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- develop, compile, enhance and provide databases, visualization software and software datapacks for global and regional aspects of Earth's history and the geologic history of other planets;
- create, generate and distribute of time scale publications, including books, information websites, charts and wall-chart posters; *and*
- provide scholarships in stratigraphy, Earth history and related fields

ARTICLE III LIMITATIONS

At all times the following shall operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the Foundation:

1. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to any member of the corporation not qualifying as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted

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or hereafter amended, nor to any Director or officer of the corporation, nor to any other private persons, excepting solely such reasonable compensation that the corporation shall pay for services actually rendered to the corporation, or allowed by the corporation as a reasonable allowance for authorized expenditures incurred on behalf of the corporation;

2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office; and

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended.

4. The corporation shall not lend any of its assets to any officer or director of this corporation, or guarantee to any person the payment of a loan by an officer or director of this corporation.

ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS/MEMBERS

The corporation shall have no voting members. The management and affairs of the corporation shall be at all times under the direction of a Board of Directors, whose operations in governing the corporation shall be defined by statute and by the corporation's by-laws. No Director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation.

The corporation's first Board of Directors shall be comprised of the following persons:

Erik Anthonissen, Chevron Corp, Houston, USA. orbulina@gmail.com

Felix M. Gradstein, 38 Maneveien, N-1337 Sandvika, NORWAY. (47 = Norway)-(67)-54 09 66 (home). f.m.gradstein@nhm.uio.no

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ARTICLE V DEBT OBLIGATIONS AND PERSONAL LIABILITY

No member, officer or Director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers or Directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

ARTICLE VI DISSOLUTION

Upon the time of dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed by the Board of Directors, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all debts, obligations, liabilities, costs and expenses of the corporation, for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

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ARTICLE VII INCORPORATOR

The incorporator(s) of this corporation is(are):

James G. Ogg, 1224 N. Salisbury, West Lafayette, Indiana, USA 47906

Gabi M. Ogg, 1224 N. Salisbury, West Lafayette, Indiana, USA 47906

The undersigned incorporator(s) certify(ies) both that she/he/they execute(s) these Articles for the purposes herein stated, and that by such execution, she/he/they affirm(s) the understanding that should any of the information in these Articles be intentionally or knowingly misstated, she/he/they is/are subject to the criminal penalties for perjury set forth in Indiana Statutes as if this document had been executed under oath.

James G. Ogg signatures, date
[Original signed on 18 Feb 2010]
by JAMES G. OGG
GABI M. OGG

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Attachment to Form 990-EZ -- Part I, Line 1 -- Grants; and Line 16 -- other expenses			
2009 Grants and similar contributions			
	Purdue University, Dept Earth & Atmos programs in Earth-history instruction		\$4,000.00
	Purdue University, Dept Earth & Atmos programs in Earth-history research (undergraduate support)		\$15,000.00
	Student and post-doc assistants for website, Earth-history-visualization programming, graphics		\$550.00
	TOTAL Contributions and grants		\$19,550.00
2009 Other expenses (excluding printing, postage)			
	Travel to promote Foundation and TS-Creator; and Board meeting travel		\$2,309.75
	Bank fees		\$180.00
	Internet, telephone, and other communications		\$1,610.00
	Software, manuals, computer supplies		\$104.00
	TOTAL Operating expenses		\$4,203.75