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**Herb Scribner Honored with Establishment of
University of Maine Marine Sciences Fund for Students
*Was Integral to Advancing Tidal Energy Industry in Maine***

Portland, Maine, December 7, 2017 - Ocean Renewable Power Company (ORPC), in the business of improving people's lives, and their environment through sustainable energy solutions, is pleased to announce that in partnership with the University of Maine Foundation and the Scribner family, it has established the Herbert C. Scribner Jr. Marine Sciences Educational Fund to benefit School of Marine Sciences students. Mr. Scribner was ORPC's first director of environmental affairs, and a 1971 UMaine graduate in engineering, He died in early 2017.

Mr. Scribner's work at ORPC culminated in securing all state and federal permits to install and operate the first utility-grid connected tidal energy project in all the Americas, and was strengthened by his immensely satisfying and productive partnership with faculty and student researchers at UMaine's School of Marine Sciences. Their combined efforts brought our tidal energy project to fruition; provided documentation indicating that the marine environment around the project was not adversely affected; and through innovative methodologies, technologies and approaches to environmental monitoring and regulatory affairs, continues to set the standard for the ocean and river marine renewable energy industries today.

The Herbert C. Scribner Jr. Marine Sciences Educational Fund will be made available to deserving students majoring in marine sciences at UMaine to help them pursue field work, professional meetings or conferences, research projects and other activities which take them out of the classroom to learn their craft.

If \$8,000 is contributed by December 31, a \$2,000 matching gift from UMaine's Foundation will bring the fund's total to \$10,000, at which point monies can begin to be dispersed to

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students. Gifts may be made online at <http://umainefoundation.org/about-the-foundation/memorial/>, by mailing a check to the University of Maine Foundation at 2 Alumni Place, Orono, ME 04469. For questions about this fund or your gift, please contact Liz Erickson at the UMaine Foundation elizabeth.erickson@maine.edu or (207) 581-1145.

About ORPC

ORPC has twenty-four employees in three countries and on two continents. In addition to company headquarters in Portland, Maine, an operations center in Eastport, Maine, and a project office in Anchorage, Alaska, wholly-owned subsidiaries of ORPC are located in Montreal (Énergies Marines Renouvelables Québécoises, or EMARQ) and Dublin (ORPC Ireland).

Worldwide ORPC is the only company to have built, operated and delivered power to a utility grid from a hydrokinetic tidal project (in Maine), and to a remote community grid from a hydrokinetic river project (in Alaska). ORPC is committed to working with local partners and creating local economic opportunities. For more information visit <http://www.orpc.co>.