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TO: Former Oregon Newspaper Program (ONP) subscribers

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SUBJECT: ONP update - Current Newspapers now online!

We are pleased to announce that the first batch of 2015 newspapers is now live online at Historic Oregon Newspapers (http://oregonnews.uoregon.edu). A list of participating newspapers, with titles linked to online content, can be found online at http://odnp.uoregon.edu/current-newspapers/participating-newspapers/. Newspapers that are not listed here have not agreed to participate in the new digital program; individual publishers must opt in to have their current newspapers included in the online collection. We will continue to work with additional publishers who want to participate.

Just as we have subsidized the high cost of microfilming newspapers over the past several decades, we will continue to cover reasonable costs associated with receiving, processing, storing, and hosting current newspapers in digital format. Digital content (PDFs) submitted by participating publishers will be preserved and stored by the UO Libraries as a public service. All content on Historic Oregon Newspapers online (http://oregonnews.uoregon.edu) is keyword searchable and freely available to the public at no cost.

We are currently completing the microfilm backlog for newspapers published through 2014. Newspapers published in 2015 and beyond will not be microfilmed by the UO Libraries, as we are shutting down our microfilm production unit. Some subscribers have inquired about microfilm vendor recommendations for local newspapers that may not be participating in the digital program. We are currently investigating potential microfilm vendors for any future needs we might have, and we will share our recommendations as soon as possible.

Further information about the UO Libraries’ new digital program for current Oregon newspapers is maintained on the following websites:

- General information: http://odnp.uoregon.edu/current-newspapers/
• FAQ (new): http://odnp.uoregon.edu/current-newspapers/faq-current-newspapers/
• Documentation (includes all letters sent to publishers and subscribers, as well as the ONP License Agreement sent to publishers): http://odnp.uoregon.edu/current-newspapers/documentation/
• List of newspapers that have submitted a signed license agreement to the UO Libraries for participation in the new digital program for current newspapers: http://odnp.uoregon.edu/current-newspapers/participating-newspapers/

We want these sites to be effective resources for all interested parties, and your feedback is especially welcome. As always, please send any questions or concerns to dsc@uoregon.edu. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this transition.