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Dear Valued Member of the Environmental & Engineering
Geologic Community and Profession of Arizona,

I would like to call to your attention the upcoming Fourth Annual Arizona AEG Student Night event. We are inviting professionals and students practicing, teaching, and studying in the many related fields of economic, environmental, and engineering geology; geological, geotechnical, and mining engineering; and, groundwater, and water resources from all of Arizona to attend this event. We need and respectfully request your support and participation in the student-focused event.

Student Night 2009 is scheduled for the evening of Thursday April 2, 2009 on the campus of the University of Arizona in Tucson beginning at 5:30 PM. This event provides a great opportunity for networking between students and professionals and further strengthens ties between ongoing academic research and professional practice in Arizona.

Student Night 2009 will be co-hosted by the Arizona Section of the Association of Environmental & Engineering Geologists (AEG) and Phoenix and Tucson Chapters of the Arizona Hydrological Society (AHS), and is being planned in coordination with the University of Arizona student-organized 3-day GeoDaze symposium. Information regarding the organizational structure, membership, and mission of the AEG and AHS is available at the AEG website (www.aegweb.org) and AHS website (www.azhydrosoc.org). Information regarding the GeoDaze symposium is available at <http://earth.geo.arizona.edu/geodaze/2009/>.

The purpose of the Student Night is to provide students an opportunity to learn more of the breadth and depth of career opportunities and a venue for the presentation of selected student research and work projects to the professional community. Our focus for the event is to bring students and professionals together and provide a fun and professional forum for networking and exploration of employment/internship prospects. Student Night also provides professionals who attend with the opportunity to market their companies to students and recruit potential future employees during the 'Career Fair' portion of the event.

We are actively recruiting students to attend and make presentations on their research and work projects via communications with professors at our State Universities and local Community Colleges. To provide incentive and assistance for student participation, we will subsidize the cost of student dinners at the meeting through the purchase of dinners and display space by professional meeting attendees.

Our first three student night events were a tremendous success. With your support, this year's event will be even better. Student participation is only part of the equation – involvement and support from the professional community is critical to a successful event. We need your support and involvement again this year by spreading the word about Student Night to your co-workers and colleagues, urging their participation, and by participating yourself. Please consider attending Student Night 2009 and offering a bit of your time and support to the next generation of professionals that will soon be entering our workforce.

I have included for your information and use copies of the Student Night meeting announcement flyer and the RSVP form that contain further details relative to the meeting location and schedule. You can help right now by posting copies in your office(s) and bulletin boards, and by distributing to your co-workers and colleagues. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me via any of the means provided below (e-mail is preferred). On behalf of the AEG, I thank you in advance for your time, assistance, and participation in this effort, and look forward to seeing you on April 2nd.

Sincerely,

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