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Dear Valued Member of the Environmental & Engineering Geologic Educational 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](http://www.aegweb.org)) and AHS website ([www.azhydrosoc.org](http://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 to present their research and work projects to the professional community. Student Night brings students and professionals together and provides a fun and professional forum for networking and exploration of employment/internship prospects. The event also allows students to learn of scholarship and internship opportunities available from the AEG and AHS and become involved with the AEG and AHS and/or create Student Chapters at their schools.

We are seeking students from your Department to submit abstracts to make presentations at the meeting, and graciously request that you urge them to do so. Cash awards will be given to students who make the top three presentations. Details and requirements for submission of abstracts and for presenting at Student Night 2009 are provided on the included student information flyer. We hope your students will strongly consider submitting abstracts and presenting at the meeting; without their involvement Student Night lacks its most important ingredients.

We would like to enlist your support and involvement by helping us to spread the word about Student Night 2009 to your students and colleagues, urging their participation, and by participating yourself.

I have included for your information and use copies of the Student Night meeting announcement flyer, student presentation information form, and RSVP form that contain further details relative to the meeting location and schedule. You can help right now by posting copies in your classroom(s), offices, and Department bulletin boards, and by distributing to your students 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 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Sincerely,

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