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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 Fifth 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 Student Night 2010. We need and respectfully request your support and participation for this student-focused event.

Student Night 2010 is scheduled for the evening of Tuesday April 6, 2010 on the campus of Arizona State University in Tempe 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. Information is available at <http://aegarizona.blogspot.com/2010/01/2010-student-night.html>.

Student Night 2010 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). Information on 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). This year's event is being promoted by ASU's Civil, Environmental, and Sustainable Engineering Program, School of Earth and Space Exploration, and GeoClub.

The purpose of 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 four 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 announcement flyer and the RSVP form that contain further details on the event location and schedule. You can help right now by posting copies in your office(s) and on bulletin boards, and by distributing to your co-workers and colleagues. Please contact me via any of the means provided below (e-mail is preferred) with questions. 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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