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Dear Mr. Starmer:

The United States Department of Energy Low-Level Waste Program and the Texas Low-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal Authority are proposing to sponsor a workshop on site characterization in March. The workshop will coincide with the release of a draft report from DOE on site characterization.

So that we can put together a program that meets your needs we would appreciate it if you would take a few minutes to complete the enclosed questionnaire and return it to us in the postage-paid envelope. Your help is sincerely appreciated.

Cordially,

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Chief Engineer

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QUESTIONNAIRE

The topic for this workshop is site characterization. The program will be based on a forthcoming DOE report that will cross index the available NRC, DOE and other federal guidelines on site characterization with the 17 different disciplines that are critical to an effective characterization plan. As proposed, the workshop participants will briefly review this report, then spend about 7 hours discussing how to implement the guidelines. Included in the workshop will be broad descriptions of planning, scheduling and implementing the site characterization plan, do's and don'ts of successful field work, quality assurance, recordkeeping and public relations. The workshop will be small, and interaction among the participants is encouraged. Only host state representatives, selected federal and state regulatory agencies, and their primary contractors will be invited.

1. I think this is a ☐ Good ☐ Bad idea. If you checked "bad", skip to question 12.
2. I would like to spend ☐ more time ☐ less time ☐ about _____ hour(s) on discussing the DOE report.
3. I would like to spend ☐ more time ☐ less time ☐ about _____ hour(s) discussing implementation of the federal guidelines.
4. I think the workshop should focus on:

Priority Rank
(See Question 5)

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|---|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> the DOE report | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning and Scheduling | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Implementation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative process (i.e recordkeeping) | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quality Assurance | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contract Management | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do's and Don'ts | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> War stories of past experience | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Existing data bases | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory work | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In-situ Field testing | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drilling | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geochemistry | _____ |

- ☐ Geotechnical Analysis _____
☐ Radiological Analysis _____
☐ Groundwater studies _____
☐ Other, name _____

5. On the right hand margin of the list above, rank the topics according to which are most useful to you. List only 5 topics (1 is most important, 5 least important).
6. A slide presentation showing the type of equipment required for a site characterization study ☐ would ☐ would not be helpful.
7. Other topics I would like to hear discussion on would be: _____

8. The meeting should one ☐ one day ☐ two days ☐ ____ days to give me enough time to adequately cover the topic.
9. The meeting should be held at ☐ Austin, TX ☐ Dallas, TX
☐ San Antonio, TX ☐ Houston, TX ☐ El Paso, TX
☐ _____, TX
10. I would be willing to pay up to ☐ \$10 ☐ \$25 ☐ \$75 ☐ \$150
☐ not one thin dime to help cover the cost of coffee breaks and an evening reception.
11. This is a great idea because _____

12. This whole idea stinks because _____

13. This workshop date, March 10, conflicts with:
☐ Waste Management '88 ☐ Other _____

Optional:

14. Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____