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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Board for Geologists and Geophysicists (Board) is looking for approximately 10 volunteers to serve on a focus group that is looking into the issue of whether or not to maintain, modify or eliminate the California-specific portion of the Professional Geologist (PG) licensing examination (CSE) that is currently required for licensure as a PG in California.

The focus group will meet for two full days in early October, 2005 (October 6-7) in Sacramento. All expenses will be paid by the Board, including a \$100 per day stipend.

The Department of Consumer Affairs' Office of Examination Resources (OER) will be responsible for the administration of the focus group and for the recommendation that will be made to the Board as a result of the focus group. The focus group will consist of subject matter experts (i.e., licensees) who, facilitated by a test development expert provided by OER, will evaluate the current scope of practice in relation to the 2000 Occupational Analysis for Professional Geologists, entry-level standards for competent and safe practice, and consumer protection.

Only individuals who are licensed as PGs will be considered (the specialty licenses CEG and CHG are acceptable, since a PG is required before the specialty license can be earned). Any individual who serves on the Board or any of its Committees is not eligible for service on the focus group. A representative cross-section of the licensee population is desired (age, gender, experience/practice, years since becoming licensed, etc.). Please submit your resume/CV along with a letter describing why you want to participate in this focus group to the attention of DeLesa Swanigan, Office Manager for the Board to the Board's office. Volunteer applications are due no later than Wednesday, July 13, 2005, so that the selection of candidates by the Board Members can be made at their July 15, 2005 Board Meeting.

Thank you in advance for volunteering for this very important focus group.