Immediately following the close of the 2009 National Radiological Emergency Preparedness conference, please join NEI at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott in Norfolk, VA for an open forum/panel discussion to address improved stakeholder response during Hostile Action Based (HAB) EP drills. The open forum will involve FEMA and NRC participation. There is no fee to attend.

Panels will include previous drill participants from both industry and governmental organizations who will share and discuss with you their HAB EP drill experiences, to include important lessons learned and resulting best practices.

This NEI open forum session ... IS:

• An opportunity to discuss lessons learned from those who have already participated in the industry initiative
• A chance to learn what preparation techniques have worked well for previous drills
• An opportunity to use others' experience to improve your organization's ability to succeed
• Intended to be a dialogue between attendees and panelists

This NEI open forum session ... IS NOT:

• A forum to discuss proposed rulemaking
• A forum to discuss future guidance
• A forum to discuss possible inspection procedures

Some tentative panel topics include:

• Development of HAB Scenarios and conduct of table-top drills.
• Protective action decision making considerations
• Integration of the Incident Command System into the traditional Radiological Emergency Preparedness Program
• Challenges to the prompt dissemination of public information during a HAB event

Who should attend?

Certainly all licensees and their offsite counterparts who will be conducting their demonstrations in 2009 are urged to attend. However, those who have already conducted or participated in a hostile action drill are encouraged to attend to learn how performance and expectations have evolved as we prepare for future evaluation.

To register for the forum, send an e-mail to Saqib Hussain at sxh@nei.org with your name, title, organization, phone number, and e-mail address. If you have any questions, please e-mail Sue Perkins-Grew at spg@nei.org.

Thank you for your interest. We appreciated your continuing efforts in support of the Hostile Action Based Drill industry initiative and look forward to seeing you on April 23rd.