

Dear C3E supporters,

We are seeking women's names and bios -- from all fields, at all levels -- to help fulfill a C3E commitment:

C3E commitment: Dr. Maxine Savitz, Vice President of the National Academy of Engineering, made a commitment to C3E: "To find more young people, women, and underrepresented minorities to serve on National Research Council (NRC) committees or as NRC reviewers."

How you can help: You can help Dr. Savitz fulfill this commitment simply by sending a brief bio (no more than one page) of yourself or other individuals that would be appropriate for committees or reviewers. Please email: MaxineSavitz@aol.com and Cc: diaz_steph@yahoo.com.

Why this is important and how it will help: The NRC is always looking for young people, women, and underrepresented minorities to serve on committees or as reviewers. Serving on committees is educational; participants learn valuable information and interact with other well-known scientists, engineers, and policy analysts. If you send Dr. Savitz a brief bio (no more than one page) of yourself or others, she will forward it to the appropriate people at the NRC. Individuals from all areas of expertise are needed and you can send as many names/bios as you would like.

Background information:

- The National Research Council (NRC) is the operating arm of the National Academies (National Academy of Science, National Academy of Engineering, and Institute of Medicine).
- The NRC completes about 200 studies per year. See their web site, <http://sites.nationalacademies.org/NRC/index.htm>, for a list of recently published studies and also ongoing studies.
- The studies are conducted with experts in science, engineering, social science, economics, law, etc., from industry, academia, states, non-profits, and the national laboratories.
- There are usually 12 to 18 members of a study team and the studies usually require 3 to 4 meetings in DC or CA.
- The government sponsors most of the studies; thus current government employees often do not participate as members of the committees.
- The studies are all peer-reviewed by 12 to 16 experts. Volunteer participants on committees have travel expenses paid by the Academy, but are not paid for their time. Often less than half of the committee members or reviewers are actual Academy members.

Please contact me or Dr. Savitz (MaxineSavitz@aol.com, Cc -ing diaz_steph@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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