

INL is developing the concept of a research Institute for Recovery, Recycling, Reuse, and Remanufacturing (R4-I). The Institute will be dedicated to a future that values and increasingly strives to achieve materials sustainability. We are progressing towards a time when materials recovery and recycling are no longer an afterthought, but rather represent a critical consideration in the design and manufacture of materials and products. In the future, the efficiency of materials recovery from a variety of waste streams will increase and recycled scrap will be the preferred input material for materials processes yielding both energy and cost saving.

To further develop this concept, INL is sponsoring a 1.5 day Workshop at the Technology Center Denver Marriott Hotel on August 20 and 21, 2013 (room block reserved) and want to invite you or your designee to attend as a National Laboratory Participant to provide input for framing out a whitepaper that will be submitted to DOE's Advanced Manufacturing Office. The whitepaper will provide the framework for R4-I's activities. Topics that we plan to cover during the Workshop include: feed source distribution, streams of interest, recycling industry needs assessments, technology needs, techno-economic factors in recycling, and policies that may encourage R4-I activities.

As this Workshop quickly approaches, we want to ask your assistance by indicating your participation in the Workshop and providing 3 to 5 industrial and university contact people that you would recommend for inclusion in the Workshop.

Your earliest response before (July 8, 2013) to this request will be greatly appreciated as we need to extend invitations to the people as quickly as possible. There will be no registration fee, however the participants will need to register for the Workshop – all details, including a link for registration will be provided in the full letter of invitation that will be sent to you soon.

Kindly note:

Due to Governmental Travel Restrictions, we are inviting each National Laboratory to provide one participant to the Workshop, while we will be able to invite as many industrial and academic participants as possible while keeping the meeting to about 50 people.

Sincerely,
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