GOVERNMENT & INDUSTRY PIPELINE RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT FORUM
Participant Survey

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New Orleans, Louisiana

Approximately 250 Participants with 65 Survey Responses
Question 1: What stakeholder group do you represent?
Question 2: Please rate the value received from the Forum:
Question 3: Did the Forum meet your expectations?
Question 4: What aspects of the Forum were of greatest value to you?

- Quality statements by the key challenge speakers
- Rigor of the technical sessions
- The first hand dissemination of new needs
- Significant group interaction
- Networking
- Hearing status of current research and technology
- The understanding of how needs differ between the pipeline types

Question 5: Do you expect to use the Forum results?

1% Yes
99% No
Question 6: How do you plan to use Forum results?

- Drive business decision-making
- Broaden mind set with other industries and companies
- Drive research strategy
- Validate a research need with Gov/Industry consensus
- Align standards needs with the Gov/Industry consensus
- Develop better proposals by matching needs with expertise
- Refine technology deployment and support demonstrations for regulation waivers
- Improvements to best practices
- Refine integrity management strategy from other’s lessons learned
- Promote forum results to other pipeline stakeholders not present
Question 7: How frequently should this Forum be held?

- 50% Annually
- 30% Every eighteen months
- 20% Every two years
Question 8: How might the Forum be improved to better address your needs?

- Strengthen facilitation within the sessions
- Larger room required for general session
- Provide via handout or through general sessions a background on research funding organizations: How can companies get involved?
- Factor more time for R&D needs discussion
- More focus on the completed R&D
- Avoid subject overlaps between groups
- More focus on longer term needs
- Incorporate PHMSA panel of technical reps willing to take Q&A from operators
- Greater PHMSA representation within the sessions to referee opinions
- Release the session agenda prior to the forum
- Secure facilitators with greater relevant technical background