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Building the Technical Capacity of Small and Disadvantaged Businesses

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) has initiated an effort to improve the technical competency of Small and Disadvantaged Businesses (SDB) as they compete for environmental cleanup jobs in a challenging market. Its key purpose is to provide targeted access to training and technology transfer in advanced technology and business growth areas in site characterization and remediation. For additional information on this initiative, visit www.cluin.org/smallbusiness.

In support of this initiative, U.S. EPA OSWER's CERCLA Education Center (CEC) is delivering the **Best Management Practices for Site Assessment, Site Remediation, & Greener Cleanups** course. There are no tuition costs associated with this training.

- **Level:** Introductory
- **Date:** May 18, 2012
- **Location:** San Francisco, CA, at the U.S. EPA Region 9 Office

The course focuses on three best management practices (BMP) sessions:

- *BMPs for Site Assessments* draws on science and technology advancements and practitioner experience to develop strategies for making site assessments more scientifically-defensible, resource-effective, adaptive to changing project needs, and responsive to stakeholder concerns.
- *BMPs for Site Remediation* provides BMPs used to improve site remediation efforts through design and operation enhancements. The session presents specific remedial approaches and BMPs for common redevelopment scenarios such as gasoline stations, dry cleaners in urban renewal areas, and waterfront development on historic fill.
- *BMPs for Green Remediation Footprint Reduction* describes BMPs used during the cleanup process for each of the core elements of green remediation (energy, air, water, land and ecosystems, and materials and waste).

