Charles,

As a retired geoscientist (# 391), I am an advocate for continued registration of geologists. I think it is imperative for a geologist providing interpretation of geology relating to issues involving the public's health and safety to be licensed.

In my view, this should be the minimum requirement for individuals and state employees involved in the decision making process related to geologic issues that determine if a geologic condition poses a risk to the public's health and safety.

It has been previously demonstrated that the engineers are not adequately trained in their degree requirements to perform such services; therefore, the decision to not require registration of geoscientists would pose a threat to the public's health and safety.

Please forward this to the Commission.

Best Regards,

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