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Dear ASHRAE Technical Committee member:

As a member of one of ASHRAE's 98 technical committees, your input into development of the Society's first Research Strategic Plan was vital. As you know, the plan was developed to ensure ASHRAE research will meet the immediate and future needs of our members and the industry.

ASHRAE now seeks your help in carrying out the plan. We encourage you to use this plan as a base for the specific research projects that your technical committee develops and to generate those projects that support the plan's goals.

Research and technology are the foundation of the Society on which everything else is built. Research is the foundation for the Handbook, standards, special publications and ASHRAE Transactions for disseminating our information to the industry. With so many issues facing our industry, such as energy conservation, refrigeration, indoor air quality, our foundation must remain strong.

The goals in this plan will help keep ASHRAE vital and help keep our industry vital. It will help ensure that the efforts you put forth as a volunteer will result in significant benefits to the quality of life for the public at large.

Thank you,

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