



# READY FOR REUSE WORKSHOP

Presented by the Louisiana Department of  
Environmental Quality and  
the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency,  
Region 6

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## About the Workshop

The purpose of this Workshop is to increase awareness in the regulated community about a State and Federal program called Ready for Reuse. The goal of this program is to promote land revitalization and reuse in order to foster economic development and return previously contaminated or abandoned property back to productive use.

The Ready for Reuse Program in Louisiana is a regulatory certification program provided by LDEQ, or jointly by LDEQ and EPA. This program verifies that environmental conditions on a property have been evaluated and, if necessary, cleaned up to standards that are protective of human health and the environment based on its current and anticipated future use (i.e., commercial/industrial, residential, ecological, etc.). The program may include operating facilities as well as facilities that are not in full use, and may address portions of a property or the entire property.

At the end of the process, a Ready for Reuse certificate is awarded, accompanied by a determination letter signed by LDEQ, or jointly by LDEQ and EPA, that provides information about the current environmental conditions on the property and the work performed to address risks. This certification may be especially useful to facilities interested in attracting buyers, investors, or operators to their property or in fostering good relationships with their surrounding communities. The Ready for Reuse determinations are posted on both the EPA and LDEQ websites, providing both national and local recognition for participating facilities.

Additional information regarding the LDEQ and EPA Ready for Reuse Programs, including eligibility criteria and examples of successful determinations, is available at:

<http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/129/Default.aspx>  
<http://www.epa.gov/region6/ready4reuse/>

## Who Should Attend?

Participation in the Ready for Reuse Workshop will benefit:

- Industrial facilities and their representatives
- Environmental consultants
- Government regulators (federal, state, municipal, and other)
- Real estate Developers/financiers

## Agenda

8:00 – 9:00	Registration and continental breakfast
9:00 – 11:30	Information sessions
11:30 – 1:00	Lunch and Ready for Reuse Ceremony
1:00 – 2:30	Information sessions and case studies
2:30 – 2:45	Break with refreshments
2:45 – 4:00	Information sessions and case studies

A complete agenda of information sessions and case studies will be posted at the LDEQ Ready for Reuse Program website as it becomes available.

## Location

Sheraton Convention Center  
Sheraton Baton Rouge Convention Center Hotel  
102 France Street  
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

## Registration

On-line preregistration is required for all participants by August 15, 2008. The registration form is available at the LDEQ website at:

<http://www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/129/Default.aspx>

A registration form must be completed by each individual attending. The Ready for Reuse Workshop is funded by a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and is provided at no charge to participants.

## More Information

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