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Subject: The Great Utah ShakeOut

Emergency preparedness at the individual and organizational level is an essential part of the mission of the Structural Engineers Association of Utah (SEAU). As such, we are proud to announce our support and participation in the largest statewide drill in Utah history, the 2012 Great Utah ShakeOut.

On April 17, 2012 at 10:15 a.m., SEAU, along with thousands of Utahns, will practice how to protect ourselves during earthquakes by conducting a “Drop, Cover and Hold On” exercise. It is important to be prepared at work, school and home, because we never know when the “Big One” may strike. The Great Utah ShakeOut is a wonderful opportunity to step up and be a partner in preparedness. It’s also the perfect time to review your emergency plans and replenish your disaster/72-hour kits.

SEAU has additional plans for participation in the Shake Out. SEAU volunteers will perform mock ATC-20 investigations on critical / significant buildings, which will be uploaded to a UGS clearinghouse website that will be set up for that day. Where feasible, Bob Carey of the State Office of Emergency Planning will let the SEAU volunteers utilize the Smartphones (or “Rovers”) that have recently been acquired (which have been used for the URM investigations that SEAU has done over the past year). In other cases instructions will be given to the volunteers on how to upload the ATC-20 information to the clearinghouse website.

Join us today by registering at www.shakeout.org/utah to participate in the Great Utah ShakeOut. Together, we will be better prepared when disaster strikes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. L. Pierson', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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President, SEAU