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Chairman of Environment Agency in the UK Calls for Risk-Based Sustainable Approaches to Brownfield Cleanup

LONDON, ENGLAND, March 25, 2009 — In a keynote address to a congress of environmental industry leaders in the UK, Lord Chris Smith of Finsbury, Chairman of the Environment Agency, stressed the importance of groundwater resources and the use of advanced sustainable remediation technologies. “Cleanups are vital to protecting water resources,” the British environmental leader said, “and the cleanup and reuse of former industrial properties — so-called ‘brownfield’ sites — is essential to protect future water supplies and fight global warming.”

Relative to treatment approaches and technology solutions to the problem of contaminated site remediation, Lord Smith emphasized that brownfield cleanup efforts should be risk-based and focus on sustainable remediation technologies, including monitored natural attenuation and in-situ bioremediation.

“In-situ remediation allows for site cleanup without the negative impact to the environment associated with energy-intensive pumping or removal techniques,” he noted. “Companies such as RegenesiS are leading this field with the development of technologies which maximize in-situ treatment whilst minimizing emissions and impact to the environment.”

This presentation and others were delivered at *Brownfield Briefing's* “Special Challenges to Groundwater Remediation,” chaired by Dr. Jeremy Birnstingl, Managing Director of RegenesiS Ltd. The speakers and participants examined a wide range of technologies, current and emerging remediation approaches, and regulatory drivers bearing on the task at hand: i.e., restoring and preserving for future generations the groundwater that makes up over 70 percent of the world’s available freshwater — critical for life on our planet.

The other presenters included an impressive roster of eminent public- and private-sector professionals in the field. The conference ended with a panel discussion of perennial cleanup problems and a “wish list” of hoped-for future improvements, led by Dr. Birnstingl of RegenesiS. For more information about the event and the *Brownfield Briefing* organization visit <http://www.brownfieldbriefing.com/home>.

The sponsoring organization, San Clemente, California-based RegenesiS, has been advancing the state of the art in cost-effective groundwater and soil remediation technologies for more than 15 years. Built on the principles of proven science, innovative products, and client partnerships, RegenesiS’ advanced technologies have been applied on more than 15,000 sites worldwide and have been twice honored with the ICU Innovation Award as well as the Wall Street Journal Innovative Technology Award and the Environmental Business Journal Remediation Technology Award, among others. For further information, please visit RegenesiS online (www.regenesiS.com) or contact Bryan W. Vigue, Vice President of Marketing (949-366-8000, x122; bvigue@regenesiS.com).

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