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**Session X, XI, XII - Opening Remarks**

by Chairman Shiming Wu, Ph.D.

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General Reporter, Dr. Hari D. Sharma, gave us a very good, detailed and comprehensive general report, summarized the papers presented in this session, "Case Histories of Geotechnical and Hydrological Management and Remediation of Solid, Hazardous and Low-Level Radioactive Wastes, Case Histories of Liner and Final Cover Systems for Solid, Hazardous and Low-Level Radioactive Wastes."

This afternoon, we had a free discussion because there were not many papers in this session. This session involves many fields, such as biology, geology, chemistry, environmental engineering, geotechnical engineering, social science and even law. Analytical approaches are necessary for solving the problems, but more important, case histories are extremely needed. Some projects were made ten or twenty years ago, even earlier, the engineers still keep getting the data for a long time. It is a special need for us to exchange the case histories for improving the regulations, designs, monitoring approaches and analysis.

We hope that we have more case histories presented in the conference.