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BENEFITS OF SMRI MEMBERSHIP, (19 Sept. 2016)

Current SMRI (1 January 2016) By-Laws govern our organization, so this is intended only as summary introduction, 19 September 2016. Each member organization, regardless of membership class, may have, within reason, any number of their full time employees included, under your membership, in SMRI's member database for full library access and conference registration member rates.

<u>BENEFIT</u>	<u>MEMBER (ORGANIZATION)</u>	<u>NON-MEMBER</u>
Dues	See schedule, members have vote to change or set the dues.	None
Conference fee (two per year)	None♦♦, no limit on number of employees who can attend. (There is a daily fee charge)	\$400 per person, per conference ♦♦
Technical Class (held Sunday before most conferences)	\$250 per person, per class♦♦, plus daily fee. Member Gov't Regulators Class R have a lower cost.	\$500 per person, per class♦♦ (♦♦ =does not include daily fee cost, varies with costs of meeting site)
Technical Class papers (for any members, even those who did not attend the class)	Free online 1 year after class	\$250
SMRI Research Reports (over 150 online)	All research reports are on line	\$50 to \$500, depending on report. Not available until 1 year after report released to members
SMRI software: SalGas Salt Subsid TOOLBOX	No charge for software, license good as long as user is SMRI member	1 user license: SalGas \$2500. Salt Subsid \$1000. TOOLBOX \$250.
Conference papers (over 1000 online)	SMRI Technical Conference papers on-line dating back to 1970's	\$15 for the first paper in an order, and \$5 for each additional paper in an order, if e-mailed. No search priority
Salt Symposium papers	All papers Salt Symposia 1 – 9 online	Limited availability to Salt Symposia, some may only be copied for members.
Research	Participate in selecting and monitoring progress of research projects. New projects must have member vote of approval.	No participation
Development of government rules	Participate in SMRI review of proposed rules	No Participation

Business Meeting (held twice a year as part of regular conferences)	Fully participate in the affairs of the Institute. Eligible for Officer positions and committees.	No participation
SMRI Website access and information available	Member only access to online papers and research, Member directory is listed.	No access to papers or research, can view public files only, no non- member contact listings
Emailed updates misc.	Yes, including significant news	Limited to conference and RFP info

SMRI MEMBERSHIP: ORGANIZATION CLASSIFICATIONS AND YEARLY DUES¹

Class A Member.....\$4,000

An organization that owns, operates, or is technically responsible for the operation of solution mined cavities for either brine production or storage, or both.

Class B Member.....\$2,000

An organization with a professional interest in solution mining and has more than ten employees, but does not own, operate or have technical responsibility for the operation of solution mining caverns.

Class C Member.....\$1,000

An organization that (1) has a professional interest in solution mining and has ten or fewer employees, but does not own, operate or have technical responsibility for operation of solution mining caverns, (2) is a university, or (3) is a governmental agency that does NOT establish or enforce regulations for operation of solution mining caverns.

Class D Member.....\$0

A non-voting affiliate of a Class A, B, or C member. An affiliate is a subsidiary organization, a sister organization or a division of one or more Class A, B or C members having a combined ownership of more than 50% of the affiliate. A parent that does not meet the requirements for Class A, B or C membership but has a majority ownership in a Class A, B or C member is also an affiliate.

Class E Member.....\$0

An individual elected to Honorary Membership for services and contributions to the growth and development of the Institute, non-voting.

Class R Member.....\$0

A government regulatory agency that establishes or enforces regulations for operation of solution mining caverns, non-voting. (established this class 1 January 2010)

¹ **Minimum Class.** An organization cannot take a lower class than the one for which it is eligible. A Member cannot be in a lower class than the class for which a non-member affiliate is eligible. Membership may vote to change dues at any time, but **dues rates have been stable, have not increased dues rates since before 2001.**