Additional Questions

The following open-ended questions were suggested by Virginia Way to solicit information which could be useful to Center personnel. Feel free to use any or all of them and to modify or add to them. They are optional questions to be included as deemed useful by the evaluator. They will not be analyzed at the aggregate level, therefore, do not include these data in the machine-readable files that you send to NCSU.

Industrial Sponsor Questionnaire

1. Why did your company join the Center?

2. What are your short-term expectations for the Center?

3. What are your long-term expectations for the Center?

4. Please make any suggestions or comments, which will enhance the function and/or output of the Center.

5. Do you expect your firm to continue to support the Center?
   (Please check one)
   ________ Yes (Please comment further if you wish)

   ________ No  (if no, please explain why.)

Student Questionnaire

1. Were you given the opportunity to select the research you are now doing at the Center?
   Yes______  No_____  (please check one)

2. Were you advised early enough in your program of study about the subject and details of your thesis work in order to begin your survey of relevant literature?

3. Are you satisfied with the quality of direction from your faculty advisor? (i.e., Do you meet frequently enough? Is the content of the direction you receive acceptable, not acceptable, very good, etc?)

4. Has your faculty advisor fully explained why you are investigating a specific area in term of long range commercial and/or manufacturing significance?
5. Do you believe that your project (research-thesis) is on the “cutting edge” in terms of relevancy and it’s significance to real life industrial needs?

6. What motivated you to come to the Center? (i.e., financial support – reputation of the school – heard about it from faculty and/or mentor – nominated to apply – other.) Please describe fully.

7. What is your highest degree earned? ____________________________
   In what field? ____________________________

   What degree are you working for? ____________________________
   In what field? ____________________________

   When did you begin? ____________________________ Date (month/year)

   When do you plan to finish? ____________________________ Date (month/year)

8. Is your research related directly to the research any other student in your center is conducting?
   Yes____ No_____ (please check one) If yes, please explain:

9. To what degree has your research center helped you in the following areas of communications? (please check the degree of help you have received for the interactions listed.)

   INTERACTIONS  | A GREAT DEAL | A MODERATE AMOUNT | VERY LITTLE | NONE AT ALL
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   Technical Presentations  | ________ | ________ | ________ | ________
   Students with faculty  | ________ | ________ | ________ | ________
   Students with industry  | ________ | ________ | ________ | ________
   Students with Director  | ________ | ________ | ________ | ________
   Students with students  | ________ | ________ | ________ | ________
   Students with administration  | ________ | ________ | ________ | ________

   (Comment as to need for each if you marked very little or not at all)

10. Do you get anything from center participation that non-center graduates don’t get? Please explain.
11. Are you deprived of anything because of your participation in the center that non-center graduate students are not? Please explain.