

20.26 **Chattanooga Corp – Surface or Subterranean processing: Does it really matter today?**

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The second coming of the United States Oil Shale industry is not met without hurdles. As has been comprehensively documented during the 27th Oil Shale Symposium and elsewhere in the media over the past 12 months, several major factors create not new, but ever increasing hurdles to commercialization of this vast national energy resource. This paper addresses several of the large although not insurmountable challenges and some hypotheses on why these differ from circa 1968 in today's 2008 climate along with possible approaches to greater successes going forward:

- Policy and government support for second generation technologies (compare to Canada NCUT/AERI)
- Overcoming concerns about new technology effectiveness, reliability and introduction