Dear XXX,

I am a researcher at anonymous. I'm investigating how a large-scale ecosystem such

as OpenStack with hundreds of companies involved is formed and sustained. We expect our study could help people better understand the practices and sustain ecosystems. I would appreciate it if you could be willing to participate in this research study that should not take more than three minutes of your time.

We notice that OpenStack is becoming less active. The most important performance is the withdrawal of the company that made great contributions. We want to investigate why this happened.

From what I could gather, you've made outstanding contributions (e.g., commits) to OpenStack on behalf of your company, i.e., XXX,　XX years ago. I would much appreciate it if you could please answer the following three questions (please note all the answers will be kept anonymous and only for research purpose):

Q1: Do you agree that your company stopped contributing to OpenStack?
A.　Yes
B.　 No (Please skip to Q3)

Q2: Why your company stopped contributing to OpenStack?
A.　 The original goal of participation (such as contributing driver) has been completed.
B.　 Selected other projects in the same technical field.
C.　 The company no longer exists (failed or acquired).
D.　 Don't like the OpenStack community (if so, could you tell why?).
E.　 I don't know (could you recommend someone know this?)
F.　 Other

Q3: Why don't your company contribute to the development of each version of OpenStack?

Thank you very much for your time and cooperation.

Best regards

anonymous