

April 9, 2009

Dear Colleagues:

**SUBJECT: COOPERATIVE SEVERE ACCIDENT RESEARCH PROGRAM (CSARP),
MELCOR CODE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (MCAP) TECHNICAL REVIEW
MEETINGS, AND MELCOR WORKSHOP**

The next Cooperative Severe Accident Research Program (CSARP) technical review meeting and the MELCOR Code Assessment Program (MCAP) meeting will be held from September 15 through 18, 2009, at the Residence Inn Bethesda, Bethesda, Maryland. A preliminary program plan for CSARP and MCAP meetings is enclosed. We are sending this preliminary announcement and the program plan to you as the principal CSARP representative of your country, and asking you to send us titles and authorship information for technical presentations that your organization, as well as other organizations in your country plan to make at both the CSARP and the MCAP meetings. A response from you on or before June 30, 2009, will be appreciated. This will help us develop a preliminary agenda for the meetings in a timely manner. A one-day MELCOR 2.1 advanced user workshop will be held on September 14, 2009. The agenda for this workshop will be sent out in late June 2009.

A block of rooms at a special conference rate (\$199/night plus applicable taxes – currently 13%) has been set aside at the Residence Inn Bethesda. The cutoff date for room reservation is August 21, 2009. Reservations can be made directly with reservations at 1-301-718-0200 (hotel directly), 1-800-331-3131 (toll free) using a credit card, or on-line (dates may be changed) at <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/WASBR?groupCode=CSACSAB&app=resvlink&fromDate=9/12/09&toDate=9/19/09> using codes CSACSAB (1 king bed) or CSACSAC (two queen beds). If using a fax to make reservation, please use 1-301-718-0679 number (attention: Reservation) and clearly print your credit card number and expiration date. Guests should identify themselves as part of the CSARP MCAP / MELCOR room block. There is no cancellation penalty if the reservation is canceled before 6:00 p.m. on the first night of stay. Otherwise, there will be a penalty of one night's room plus applicable tax. The special room rate is valid from Saturday, September 12, 2009 through Friday, September 18, 2009. The hotel parking rates are \$18 overnight per day and \$11 daily rate per day. The web site for the hotel is: <http://www.residenceinnbethesdahotel.com/>.

Other area hotels where reservation can be made directly by the guests are listed below. These hotels offer U.S. government rates but not special conference rates.

American Inn of Bethesda (1-301-656-9300/1-800-323-7081)

Bethesda Court Hotel (1-301-656-2100/1-800-874-0050)

Doubletree Bethesda Hotel (1-301-652-2000/1-800-222-8733)

Hyatt Regency Bethesda (1-301-657-1234/1-800-233-1234)

We plan to provide you at registration a compact disc (CD) containing the handouts. In order for us to be able to do that, we ask that you send electronic copies of your presentation materials (abstracts and viewgraphs) in portable document file (pdf) format to Sandia National Laboratories (attention: Ms. Sally Ek of Sandia at sjek@sandia.gov, tel. 1-505-844-9501) by no later than August 21, 2009.

As in previous years, we plan to organize a group dinner one evening during the meeting. Information about the group dinner and other social events in the area will be available at the registration desk. Also, note that Sandia will be providing administrative and coordination support for the CSARP and the MCAP meetings, and the MELCOR workshop. For assistance in related matters, please contact Ms. Sally Ek.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Sincerely,

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As stated

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**Cooperative Severe Accident Research Program (CSARP)
Technical Review Meeting
MELCOR Code Assessment Program (MCAP) Meeting
September 15-18, 2009
Preliminary Program Plan**

TUESDAY

**CSARP Registration
Introduction/Opening Remarks
Overview Session
Technical Session 1 - Severe Accident Research 1
Technical Session 2 - Severe Accident Research 2**

WEDNESDAY

**Technical Session 3 - Severe Accident Codes: Development and Applications
Technical Session 4 - High Temperature Gas Reactor Safety Analysis**

THURSDAY (AM)

**Technical Session 5 - Containment Response and Structural Integrity
Partners' Meeting
CSARP Meeting Adjournment**

THURSDAY (PM)

**MCAP Registration
Introduction/Opening Remarks
Technical Session 1 - Recent Applications of MELCOR**

FRIDAY

**Technical Session 2 - MELCOR Code Assessment
MCAP Meeting Adjournment**