DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction Meeting

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, United States Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction (ACEHR or Committee) will meet Tuesday, October 23, 2007, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday, October 24, 2007, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The primary purpose of this meeting is to discuss implementation of the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP) statutory activities and the Committee’s annual report to the NIST Director. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NEHRP Web site at http://nehrp.gov.

DATES: The ACEHR will meet on Tuesday, October 23, 2007, from 9 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. The meeting will continue on Wednesday, October 24, 2007, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. The meeting will be open to the public.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held in the entry-level conference room at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in Golden, Colorado. Please note admittance instructions under the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Jack Hayes, Director, National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 8600, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899–8600. Dr. Hayes’ e-mail address is jack.hayes@nist.gov and his phone number is (301) 975–5640.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established in accordance with the requirements of Section 103 of the NEHRP Reauthorization Act of 2004 (Pub. L. 108–360). The Committee is composed of 15 members, appointed by the Director of NIST, who were selected for their technical expertise and experience, established records of distinguished professional service, and their knowledge of issues affecting the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program. In addition, the Chairperson of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC) will serve in an ex officio capacity on the Committee. The Committee will assess:

• Trends and developments in the science and engineering of earthquake hazards reduction;
• the effectiveness of NEHRP in performing its statutory activities (improved design and construction methods and practices; land use controls and redevelopment; prediction techniques and early-warning systems; coordinated emergency preparedness plans; and public education and involvement programs);
• any need to revise NEHRP; and
• the management, coordination, implementation, and activities of NEHRP.

Background information on NEHRP and the Advisory Committee is available at http://nehrp.gov.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the Advisory Committee on Earthquake Hazards Reduction (ACEHR) will meet Tuesday, October 23, 2007, from 9 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. The meeting will continue on Wednesday, October 24, 2007 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. The meeting will be hold in the entry-level conference room at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in Golden, Colorado. The primary purpose of this meeting is to discuss implementation of the NEHRP statutory activities, review NEHRP agency budget preparation and implementation procedures for the Committee, and initiate preparation of the Committee’s annual report to the NIST Director. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NEHRP Web site at http://nehrp.gov.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the Committee’s affairs are invited to request a place on the agenda. On October 23, 2007, approximately one-half hour will be reserved for public comments, and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be 3 minutes each. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to the ACEHR, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 8600, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899–8600, via fax at (301) 975–4032, or electronically by e-mail to info@nehrp.gov.

All visitors to the USGS site are required to pre-register to be admitted. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting must register by close of business Tuesday, October 16, 2007, in order to attend. Please submit your name, time of arrival, e-mail address and phone number to Amber Stillrich. Non-U.S. citizens must also submit their country of citizenship, title, employer/sponsor, and address. Ms. Stillrich’s e-mail address is amber.stillrich@nist.gov and her phone number is (301) 975–3777.


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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Notice Requesting Nominations for the Advisory Committee on Commercial Remote Sensing (ACCRES)

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee on Commercial Remote Sensing (ACCRES) was constituted to advise the Secretary of Commerce through the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on matters relating to the U.S. commercial remote sensing industry and NOAA’s activities to carry out responsibilities of the Department of Commerce set forth in the Land Remote Sensing Policy Act of 1992 (15 U.S.C. Secs. 5621–5625). The Committee is composed of leaders in the commercial space-based remote sensing industry, space-based remote sensing data users, government (Federal, state, local), and academia. The Department of Commerce is seeking up to six highly qualified individuals knowledgeable about the commercial space-based remote sensing industry and uses of space-based remote sensing data to serve on the Committee.

DATES: Nominations must be postmarked on or before November 8, 2007.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: ACCRES was established by the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) on May 21, 2002, to advise the Secretary through the Under Secretary of Commerce for...