IEEE PES ESSB / Stationary Battery Committee Summer Meeting June 12 -16, 2016 Chicago, IL

Hotel Reservations

- Make your hotel reservation by using URL: https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/june2016ieeechicago
- Reservation cut-of-date is May 21, 2016.
- Additional days were added to the room block between Thursday, June 9th and Sunday, June 18th. Limited rooms available on these days. First come first serve.

Food and Beverage

- There is a daily Food and Beverage fee of \$28.00/Day Sunday through Thursday. This will be listed as a separate line item on your final invoice at checkout.
- Sunday and Thursday will consist of Juice, Soda, Water and Coffee.
- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will consist of breakfast, hot lunch and break items.
- Coffee break times will be at 10 am and 2 pm on full days, 2:30pm on Sunday and at 8am on Thursday.

Outside Guests

- For guests not staying at Aloft Hotel, purchase passes to the IEEE Summer Meeting by using URL: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ieee-pes-essb-stationary-battery-committee-summer-meeting-tickets-20870547369
- Daily ticket price is \$60.00/Day + Service & Processing Fees (Est. additional \$4.50).
- Special badges will be used for attendees staying at a different hotel.

Below are instructions for purchasing your tickets:

To Purchase a One Day pass:

- 1. Click on Select a Date and choose the date you plan on attending
- 2. Click on the green GET TICKETS link on the top right of the page
- 3. Select the quantity (1) on the One Day Pass Option
- 4. Click on Check Out and fill out the rest of your contact and credit card information

To Purchase a Five Day Pass:

- 1. Click on Select a Date and choose ANY date
- 2. Click on the green GET TICKETS link on the top right of the page
- 3. Select the quantity (1) on the Five Day Pass Option
- 4.Click on Check Out and fill out your contact & credit card information

To Purchase a Two, Three, or Four Day Pass:

1. Email Daisy Martinez at Dmartinez@lamarchemfg.com so that a ticket item may be created for you.

Note: We will have records of every ticket purchased through Eventbrite, but ask that you bring proof of purchase as well.

Airport Arrival and Transportation

Arriving at O'Hare Airport:

- Follow the overhead signs to the Bus/Shuttle Center. The Bus/Shuttle Center can be reached by foot, is centrally located between all 3 Terminals right across from the Airport Hilton Hotel. Once you reach the Bus/Shuttle center keep an eye out for the large white van or bus with a blue aloft logo outside Door #3. To check on the status of the shuttle call 847-671-4444 and press zero for the front desk.
- Aloft Chicago O'Hare provides 24 hour, complimentary O'Hare shuttle service, which runs every 30 minutes from 5 AM Midnight.
- For O'Hare shuttle service between Midnight and 5 AM, please call the hotel directly at (847) 671-4444 extension zero to arrange your pick up.

Arriving at Midway Airport

• Cab fare from Midway Airport to Aloft Chicago O'Hare Hotel ranges between \$40 and up. If you plan on renting a car, parking at the hotel is \$13/night.

Hotel Departure & Other

• The complimentary Aloft airport shuttle automatically departs the hotel on the hour and half- hour between the hours of 5:00AM- 12:00 midnight to the Domestic Terminals.

Things To Do

Below is a list of things to do nearby and other activities taking place in the city:

ROSEMONT

• W XYZ[®] bar at Aloft

Mix it up over music and cocktails at the hotel bar. The fun flows with everything from pints to pinot noirs to signature drinks, plus a full menu, cool music and can't-miss events.

- La Marche Manufacturing Plan Tour: <u>www.lamarchemfg.com</u> Learn more about La Marche Manufacturing during a tour of the facility in Des Plaines, IL.
- The MB Financial Entertainment Park: http://www.rosemont.com/mbfinancialpark/ Located right outside of the Aloft's doors you will find 12 venues offering upscale international cuisine, live

music, comedy, state-of-the-art film, bowling and more.

Dining Options: Adobe Gilla's, Bogart's, Five Roses, Hofbrauhaus Chicago, Park Tavern, Fogo de Chao and Sugar Factory.

Entertainment Options: Kings Bowling, Zanies comedy club, Muvico Movie Theatre, IFLY inside skydiving and Big Ten Experience.

- Fashion Outlets of Chicago: http://www.fashionoutletsofchicago.com/
 The Fashion Outlets of Chicago offers 530,000 square feet of outlet shopping and 120 stores from Forever 21 & Gap to high-end labels like Prada, Gucci, Tory Burch & Barneys.
- *Rivers Casino:* <u>www.riverscasino.com</u>
 Rivers Casino offers exciting entertainment options. With over 1,000 of the newest slot machines, 50 tables and great dining options there is always action and good times at Rivers Casino!



Note: Aloft Hotel, Fashion Outlets and a few other venues displayed on map.

CHICAGO

- Chicago Architecture River Cruise \$40-50 <u>www.cruisechicago.com</u>

 Experience one of the world's most beautiful cities on a 75-minute cruise on the historic Chicago River.
- Other Chicago Tours: \$35-\$90

Choose one of Chicago's many bus tours, whether it be at your own pace on a city Hop-on Hop-off Tour or with a enthusiastic tour guide. Here are some popular options to choose from

- o Chicago's Original gangster tour www.gangstertour.com
- o Big Bus Tours http://eng.bigbustours.com/chicago/home.html
- o Haunted Chicago Tour http://www.chicagohauntings.com/
- o Chicago Segway Tours http://chicagosegways.com/
- o Chicago Pizza Tours <u>www.chicagopizzatours.com</u>
- SkyDeck Chicago Admission \$22 http://theskydeck.com/

Gaze upon the city sights from the pinnacle of Chicago, the Skydeck. Located on the 103rd floor of Willis Tower, formerly Sears Tower -- the third-tallest building in the world -- the Skydeck offers spectacular sweeping views and is full of interactive exhibits.

• John Hancock 360 Observation Deck: \$50-\$65 http://www.360chicago.com/

The 360 observation deck soars 1,000 feet above Lake Michigan and the city's skyline offering some of the most breathtaking views of downtown Chicago. Add to the TILT – Chicago's highest moving experience, their interactive technologies, the 94th floor café and you have 360 degrees of entertainment.

• Magnificent Mile: http://www.themagnificentmile.com/

Chicago's Magnificent Mile (Mag Mile) is one of the greatest avenues of the world and is at the center of all that makes Chicago and international destination. It is a spectacular showcase of style, flavor, entertainment and fun. With more than 460 stores, 275 restaurants, 60 hotels and unique entertainments and attractions packed and stacked along its length, The Magnificent Mile has an indulgence for every passion and every pocket.

- Baseball Game: Chicago White Sox <u>www.whitesox.com</u> (Chicago Cubs will be Away)
 - o Vs. Nationals on Thursday, June 9th at 7:10pm
 - o Vs. Royals on Friday June 10th at 7:10pm
 - o Vs. Royals on Saturday June 11th at 1:10pm
 - o Vs. Tigers on Monday June 13th at 7:10pm
 - o Vs. Tigers on Tuesday June 14th at 7:10pm
 - o Vs. Tigers on Wednesday June 15th at 7:10pm
 - o Pricing depends on group size
- Ladies Day Out \$100-\$200

Enjoy a morning at a spa downtown Chicago followed by brunch at the John Hancock's 95th Floor Restaurant; The Signature Room, and shopping on the Magnificent Mile. Other activities may follow upon request.

Please take a moment to answer this brief survey and express your interests for your trip to Chicago. It would be our pleasure to help coordinate a couple outings for the group.

Click here for Survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FWW7YTB