



First announcement and call for papers

2ND International Conference
September 25-29, 2004
Minneapolis, Minnesota

**on Accelerated
Pavement Testing**

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The Conference

The Second International Conference on Accelerated Pavement Testing is scheduled to be held on September 25-29, 2004, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The basic format of the conference will be similar to the very successful first conference held October 18-20, 1999, in Reno, Nevada, with technical sessions, technical field trips, and exhibits making up the bulk of the conference. The conference has been organized under the auspices of the Transportation Research Board Committee A2B09, Full-Scale/Accelerated Pavement Testing.

Scope

The conference will provide a forum for the exchange of technical information on accelerated pavement testing and associated topics. The conference will also feature reports on research projects in France, Australia, Spain, Netherlands, USA, and Canada, among other countries.

Program

The technical program will last approximately three days. It will include plenary sessions and concurrent paper presentations. Opportunities to visit the MnROAD site, as well as other field trips, will be provided.

Call for Papers

The success of the conference will depend on the quality of the accepted papers, which will be available on a CD following the conference. Authors are invited to submit an abstract of their proposed paper. Papers should be original. Previously published papers will not be accepted; however, subject matter that has been previously presented but not published is acceptable.

Topics may include:

APT Facility Related:

- Operational characteristics
- Vehicle pavement interaction
- Related small/large scale test tracks
- Instrumentation and data collection
- Implementation of APT findings
- APT database information
- APT study coordination between states
- Lessons learned on APT
- Relationships of APT performance prediction and in-service pavement performance
- Contribution of APT on management decisions
- Environmental aspects and considerations

APT Materials Related

- Materials base and subgrade
- Materials characterization
- Portland cement concrete pavements
- Hot mix asphalt pavements
- Materials variability
- Seasonal characteristics

Submission of Abstract

Authors must submit an electronic copy of their 200-word abstract by May 30, 2003, at the following Web site: http://www.cce.umn.edu/engineering/accelerated_pavement.shtml. Authors will need to supply their contact information, a title for the paper, and the appropriate topic area.

The Conference Technical Advisory Committee will select approved abstracts by July 15, 2003, and invite authors to prepare papers. Initial papers are due December 15, 2003.

Paper Review

All papers will be subject to a peer review by members of the Conference Technical Advisory Committee. Authors will be notified of the acceptance of their papers and will be provided with instructions for preparing the final camera-ready manuscript by December 15, 2003. Final papers, diskette, and original artwork are due May 15, 2004.

Author Schedule

Submission of abstract	May 30, 2003
Invitation to prepare draft paper	July 15, 2003
Submission of draft paper	December 15, 2003
Notification of acceptance for publication	April 1, 2004
Submission of final paper (camera ready)	May 15, 2004

Exhibits

Organizations are invited to set up an exhibit during the conference. There will be a \$1,500 exhibit fee, which will include one free registration to the conference and an acknowledgement on the conference brochure. There is room for only about 20 exhibits and reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis.

About Minneapolis

Please visit <http://www.minneapolis.org>

Location and Lodging

The conference will be held in the Radisson Hotel Metrodome, Minneapolis, Minnesota. The hotel is adjacent to the campus of the University of Minnesota and five minutes from downtown Minneapolis.

Lodging is available at \$105 per night single or \$115 double occupancy. Please contact the Radisson Hotel directly at 612-379-8888 or toll free at 1-800-822-6757. Please call by September 4, 2004, and indicate you are attending the APT Conference to receive this reduced rate. Convenient and reasonably priced shuttle service is available to and from the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport.

Registration

Registration, lodging, and a detailed conference schedule will be mailed and e-mailed in mid-summer 2004. Registration fees will be approximately \$350 for early registration and \$450 for late and on-site registration. All speakers must register.

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