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“GUIDELINES FOR PRESSURE RELIEF AND EFFLUENT HANDLING” ANNOUNCEMENT

The 2nd Edition (April 2017) of the subject book has been published by CCPS, AIChE, and DIERS. Go to www.aiche.org/ccps Scroll down the page. Click on the book picture link. The page with the purchase details will open. The book retails for \$320 with a 35 percent discount for AIChE members.

The book has a software link which allows down loading the legacy CCFLOW and TPHEM software for WINDOWS XP, 7, 8, 8.1 and 10 operating systems configured as 32 or 64 byte systems. The new SuperChems Lite for DIERS program is also available for WINDOWS 7, 8, 8.1 or 10 systems. XP is not supported by the SuperChems family of programs.

DIERS 2017 Fall MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Speakers and tutorials are needed for all three days. We need to prepare and post the agenda to by early August, so please respond ASAP. Call (304) 776-6371 or E-Mail fisherhg@suddenlink.net and (973) 951-5860 or wagreenfieldllc@gmail.com to arrange a presentation. Include the Title, Duration, Speakers and Desired Dates / Times. An abstract should be prepared.

DIERS Spring Meeting

1. The DIERS 2017 Fall meeting will be held on October 16 - 18, 2017 (MONDAY to WEDNESDAY) at the Hilton Garden Inn Houston/Galleria Area, 3201 Sage Road, Houston, TX 77056. Call (713) 629-0101 to reserve a room. FAX (713) 629-0102. Room rates for the hotel will be \$169 (single / double) plus six percent state and five percent local tax. Guest room rates will be extended for three days before and after the meeting. Mention DIERS to get our rate. The hotel will hold our block of rooms until **October 8, 2017** (Reserve before this date). Provide the hotel reservations desk with the group code **DIERS** or the group name DESIGN INSTITUTE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF SYSTEMS. A credit card will be required to register at the hotel. Refunds will be made on reservations canceled more than 24 hours prior to the confirmed arrival date.

NOTE: Internet access in guest and meeting rooms is complimentary. Free parking is available at the hotel for meeting attendees. Complimentary shuttle service is available within a three mile radius of the hotel. A fitness center and pool are available for hotel guests.

Attendance at this and future DIERS meetings is limited to those who have paid their yearly DIERS dues before or at the time of registration for the DIERS meeting. Registration for and payment of the actual cost of the meeting by DIERS (dues paying) members will be accomplished using the DIERS website with credit card payment. We no longer collect monies and pay for the meeting expenses on site. The daily fee to attend the meeting will be \$125 and includes a continental breakfast, coffee breaks, lunch, and meeting expenses (such as meeting room rental and audio/visual charges). Our catering contract must be guaranteed to the hotel **NLT** October 11 (Wednesday). There will be no refund after that date since DIERS has to pay the guarantee. The link to the AIChE credit card

payment system is on the www.aiche.org/diers webpage. Use the REGISTER NOW link for both registration and payment of meeting fees or call AIChE Customer Service at 1-800-242-4363.

Members attending the October meeting will receive a copy of the 1st (1995), 2nd (1998) and 3rd (2005) “International Symposium on Runaway Reactions, Pressure Relief Design, and Effluent Handling” books containing over 2,000 pages of timeless papers by noted experts. One book (attendee selection) will be distributed for each day of paid attendance. Already have the books, consider donating your copies to a colleague, your university or company library.

Professional Development Credits for attendance at DIERS meetings are available upon request.

The schedule for the meeting is as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
10 / 16 / 17 (Mon)	8:00-5:00	Mathematical Modeling of ERS Design
10 / 17 / 17 (Tue)	8:00-5:00	Business Meeting / Committee Reports / Technical Presentations
10 / 18 / 17 (Wed)	8:00-3:00	Analytical ERS Design / Testing Methodology

2. Member Contact Information

Changed Jobs? Retired? Failed to list your place of employment? Listed your home phone number as your primary contact? Members should call AIChE customer service at 1-800-242-4363 and request changes to their contact information as necessary. Registration Information from one year to the following year is just carried over and NOT necessarily updated unless specifically requested.

3. Dues-paying members should have received an E-mail with a temporary password and instructions as how to register on the website for access to the meeting minutes and presentations. Send an E-Mail or call if you have not received the registration instructions or have access problems.
4. Elections for Chair, Vice-Chair, and the seven Operating Committee positions will be during January 2018 for positions to be filled in February 2018. Attend the October 2017 meeting for a discussion for the position duties. Self-nominations and slating for the positions will occur during the meeting.
5. I look forward to greeting all members in Houston in October.

Harold G. Fisher
Chair, DIERS