



TRANSFORMERS COMMITTEE



September 8, 2005

Dear Committee Members and Guests:

You and your companion are cordially invited to Memphis, Tennessee to attend the Fall 2005 Meeting of the IEEE/PES Transformers Committee to be held October 23-27, at the spectacular Peabody Memphis Hotel. ABB is the host of this meeting and it promises to be an event that will long be remembered!

The Peabody Memphis Hotel (www.peabodymemphis.com) is located in Downtown Memphis (149 Union Ave). The reduced group rate is US\$149 for single & double occupancy. The guest rooms are reserved under the group name "IEEE/PES Transformers Committee" and can be reserved by calling (800) PEABODY or (901) 529-4000. The room block cut-off date is September 21. After that date, all remaining rooms will be released. It is anticipated that the meeting will be very well attended, and you are encouraged to make your reservation as soon as possible.

For ground transportation, we suggest taking a taxi from the Memphis International Airport (airport code "MEM") to The Peabody. A one-way trip from the airport to Downtown Memphis is approximately US\$35.

October is a beautiful time in Memphis, but temperatures can be cool, so dress appropriately. Temperatures range from an average high of 60°F (16C), to an average low of 49°F (9C). Attire for the meetings is business casual.

ON-LINE REGISTRATION

We again have a full agenda planned for this meeting. Use the on-line registration system to register for all tours and events. The on-line registration system can be accessed at www.transformerscommittee.org. Register by September 21 to receive a US\$20 early-registration discount. Note that the cost of walk-up registration at the hotel is substantially higher than previous meetings.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The **Sunday Evening Reception** will be held on the rooftop of The Peabody. The Sunset Reception will begin at 5:30 pm (30 minutes earlier so that you can enjoy the sunset). We will be entertained by the one and only "Queen of Beale Street", Ms. Ruby Wilson. Ms. Wilson and her Beale Street Big Band are the house band at the legendary BB King's Memphis location. The evening promises to be magical!

The speaker for the **Tuesday Luncheon** is Mr. Angelo Lucchesi, from Jack Daniel's Tennessee Whiskey. Mr. Lucchesi is an amusing character and has been with Jack Daniels since 1953. He was the first salesman to market and sell the product outside of Tennessee. During his many years with Jack Daniels, Mr. Lucchesi has collected many interesting stories about the evolution of Jack Daniels. This is a lunch you will not want to miss!

On **Wednesday**, you and your companion will get "*all shook up*" at the spectacular Graceland Mansion, the home of the late Elvis Presley. We will have exclusive use of the property. Take a journey back in time to the sights and sounds of the King of Rock 'n Roll! The tour will take you on an adventure through the house, memorabilia museum, Sincerely Elvis, the grounds, The Presley Automobile Museum, and several of Elvis' airplanes. A sit-down buffet dinner will be included.

COMPANION TOURS

Monday, October 24 -- We begin our day with a tour of the Pink Palace Museum, Tennessee's most visited museum. We will view an IMAX movie, followed by lunch at Pat O'Brien's. Following lunch, we will continue with a tour of the Mississippi Riverfront, Cotton Row, and other interesting sites. We will be treated to a private tour of the Woodruff Fontaine Home and the Memphis Rock 'n' Soul Museum. We will return back to the Peabody for an afternoon tea, and hold a drawing for the lucky companion to be The Peabody's "Honorary Duck Master".

Tuesday, October 25 -- We will begin with a tour of the National Civil Rights Museum, the site where Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated. We will then move to the Viking Culinary Arts Center to participate in cooking class from chefs that are the absolute best at their craft. And the best part is we get to eat what we prepare!

TECHNICAL TOURS

We will have three tours of manufacturing plants scheduled:

Sunday Morning, October 23 -- Tour ABB Inc.'s Components and Insulation Materials Plant in Alamo, Tennessee. All attendees and companions are invited to attend. More information is available on ABB's flyer. Indicate your intention to attend with the on-line meeting registration system, or ... fax in the form to ABB.

Monday Evening, October 24 -- Tour Reinhausen's LTC manufacturing facility in Humbolt, Tennessee. All attendees and companions are invited to attend. More information is available on Reinhausen's flyer. Indicate your intention to attend with the on-line registration system, or ... fax or email Reinhausen.

Thursday Afternoon, October 27 -- Tour ERMCO's transformer manufacturing facility in Dyersburg, Tennessee. This tour is by invitation only. Contact ERMCO for more information.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The following additional information comprises the Meeting Invitation Package. This information can be found on the Committee's website (www.transformerscommittee.org).

1. Meeting Registration Form. You may mail or fax this form with payment (must be received by September 21 to be eligible for the US\$20 early registration discount) or register on-line using a major credit card. On-line registration is encouraged and is available at www.transformerscommittee.org.
2. Detailed Meeting Schedule. An updated schedule will be posted on the Committee's web-site approximately one week before the meeting.
3. Information Flyers:
 - Tuesday Speaker Luncheon
 - Wednesday Evening Dinner Social
 - Companion Tours
 - Technical Tours (ABB & Reinhausen only)
 - Technical Presentations

Note: The flyers for the technical presentations will be posted on the web-site the week of September 19.

ABB is very pleased to host this event in Memphis, the "*Birthplace of Rock 'n Roll*". We know your visit will be enjoyable and memorable. If you require further information or assistance, please phone me at (731) 696-5328, or email me at randy.williams@us.abb.com. If I am not available, contact Ms. Beverly Jenkins at (919) 856-3807 or at beverly.a.jenkins@us.abb.com.

We look forward to seeing you in Memphis!

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