



TRANSFORMERS COMMITTEE



January 25, 2005

Dear Committee Members and Guests:

You and your companion are cordially invited to attend the Spring 2005 Meeting of the IEEE/PES Transformers Committee to be held March 13-17, 2005, at the Hilton Jackson in Jackson, Mississippi, USA. Kuhlman Electric Corporation is the host of this meeting.

Committee meetings will be held at the Hilton Jackson (www.hiltonjackson.com). The Hilton is a prestigious award-winning hotel that exemplifies gracious southern hospitality. With classic elegance, the Hilton is a fine example of blending the old south with the new millennium. A short distance away, downtown Jackson welcomes you with a host of attractions including museums, antiques, entertainment and shopping

The group rate is US\$119 for a standard room. When making the reservation please state that you are with the "IEEE Transformers" group to receive the reduced group rate.

March is a beautiful time in Jackson with spring in the air, flowers beginning to bloom, and an average temperature of 58°F. The temperature ranges from an average high of 68°F (20C) to an average low of 45F (8C). 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 February 18 to receive a US\$20 early-registration discount. Note that at this meeting, the cost of walk-up registration at the hotel is substantially higher than registering beforehand.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The **Sunday Evening Reception** will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Hilton. Come meet old and new friends as you listen to "Mississippi Music". A local jazz band will play while you enjoy appetizers with a southern flavor.

The speaker for the **Tuesday Luncheon** will be Professor Hank Flick. Hank is a writer, speaker and a professor in the Department of Communications at Mississippi State University. In his speech "Doing The Bubba: The Beauty of Southern Culture", Hank reflects on the common view of living and life that are a part of the southern culture.

Our **Wednesday Evening Dinner Social** will be at The Old Capitol Inn (www.oldcapitolinn.com). Come join us as we sample a taste of the south in one of Jackson's finest and most unique sites. The Old Capitol Inn is a Jackson landmark and has been beautifully transformed into a "Legend in the Making." Dinner will be served in the ballroom that opens to a private walled garden area, with local Blues player Jesse Robinson strumming the guitar for your enjoyment.

COMPANION TOURS

Monday, March 14 -- Vicksburg Day Trip. Tour the town of Vicksburg, visit the Vicksburg National Military Park, and stop downtown for browsing and shopping with lunch at Anchuca Garden House.

Tuesday, March 15 -- Mynell Gardens, with stops at the Old Capitol Museum, Mississippi Craftsmen's Guild Center on Natchez Trace, along with lunch at the University Club.

TECHNICAL TOURS

We will have tours of manufacturing plants of Kuhlman Electric, Siemens, and Howard Industries. See the meeting schedule for more information.

TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS

Do you ever feel like we do all our IEEE work at the meeting and two weeks before? At this meeting, we will learn how to hold "Meetings Between Meetings" using the Internet. Bring your notebook computer and wireless card and join us in a presentation and hands-on tutorial on Monday and Tuesday afternoons. Also, one of our working groups will report back to us how they increased their productivity with live Internet meetings.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The following additional information comprises the 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 February 18 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 one week before the meeting. Details of Hilton's complimentary airport shuttle are included in the schedule.
3. Information Flyers:
 - Tuesday Speaker Luncheon
 - Wednesday Evening Dinner Social
 - Companion Tours
 - Technical Presentations

A NOTE FROM OUR HOST

Kuhlman Electric is pleased to host this event and hopes your visit will be enjoyable and memorable. There is no better way to sample the South than in Jackson, Mississippi. A blend of the old and the new, Jackson offers glimpses of the past while looking ahead to the future. From fabulous history, art and science museums to world-class exhibits and performances, it is a city that is a secret full of surprises!

If you require further information or assistance, please contact Ms. Eleanor Snider at 859-879-2989 or at eleanors@kuhlman.com.

We look forward to seeing you in Jackson, Mississippi.

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