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MEMORANDUM FOR CONFERENCE ATTENDEES

FROM: Mr. Robert J. Falvey

SUBJECT: 2009 METSAT Conference

1. You are cordially invited to send a representative to the 2009 METSAT Conference to be held 27 -28 April 2009, sponsored by the Naval Maritime Forecast Center/Joint Typhoon Warning Center (NAVMARFCSTCEN/JTWC), and hosted by the JTWC Satellite Operations Flight at the Ford Island Conference Center in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. The METSAT Conference will be followed by the JTWC 50th Anniversary Ceremony and the 2009 Tropical Cyclone Conference (TCC) from 29 April - 1 May.
2. The main topics of discussion for the conference will be:
 - a. The future of satellites for the next five years
 - b. Operational improvements to satellite based intensity estimates
3. The METSAT conference will be scheduled to allow for presentations (15 minutes each), followed by discussions by several working groups and the development of a "statement of need" that will be presented to the larger TCC audience. We would like this statement-of-need to describe what you think is needed for the next five years to effect improvements in TC position and intensity analysis and forecasts from the METSAT perspective. Time has been allotted to present these METSAT conference determined needs on the opening day of the TCC.
4. Please provide the conference coordinator, Capt Kathryn Payne, with attendee inputs as outlined in the attached document no later than 27 March 2009. The 2009 METSAT Conference website address is <https://metocph.nmci.navy.mil/jtwc/2009TCC/metsat> and should answer most FAQ. A group of 30 rooms has been reserved for conference attendees at the Navy Lodge on Ford Island, and are available through Ms. Elena Knudson (comm. (808) 440-2295) on a first come first served basis. Other military and civilian billeting is available around Pearl Harbor as well. Details can be found on the website. There will be a small conference fee of \$15 per day to cover coffee, water, soft drinks, and morning bagels, muffins and fruit. There will also be an Ice Breaker event the evening of 27 April at the Navy Lodge on Ford Island. The cost is \$20, which includes heavy hors d'oeuvres. For questions, please contact Capt Payne: Commercial: (808) 474-3946, DSN: (315) 474-3946, or email: kathryn.payne@navy.mil.

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Attachment:
Instructions for Submissions