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Details on upcoming Boeing Macon Plant Tour. This month, schedule to attend the Boeing Macon site on September 19 from 1 – 2:30 p.m. Read this issue of The Flyer for history of the award-winning plant and tour requirements.

Boeing Macon Plant Tour

The Boeing Macon site has been in operation since 1988 and became part of the Boeing Company in 1997. Currently, the plant produces sub-assemblies for the C-17 Globemaster aircraft and the Apache AH-64 helicopter, including flight control surfaces, doors, various skin panels, and avionics structures.

In 2003, the plant received the Georgia Oglethorpe Award, the state’s highest level of recognition for organizational performance excellence. Boeing Macon was also named one of the top 10 manufacturing plants in North America in 2004 by *Industry Week* magazine and large business of the year by the Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce.

Boeing Macon is part of the Boeing Airlift & Tanker Division, which received the

national Baldrige Award in 1998. About 600 Georgians are currently employed at the plant.

SAME Tour

The SAME Macon Boeing Plant Tour has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 19 from 1 pm – 2:30 pm. A dedicated tour bus will be provided to shuttle attendees between Robins AFB and the Macon Boeing facility. Attendees must pre-register by contacting Mr. Bill Nagel, SAME Robins Post Secretary, at (478) 328-6181 or via email at bnagel@geosyntec.com. All registrants will be provided with a confirmation number which must be provided to access the tour bus and participate in the tour. **Please do not delay and register today. Seating is limited!** Please read tour requirements in the “What’s Coming Up” section on page 2.



Robins AFB Project Nominated

In June 2007, the Robins AFB Aircraft Painting Facility Exhaust Recirculation Air Project was nominated by the Air Force for recognition as part of FEMP’s *You Have the Power* campaign. Congratulations to all on this outstanding acknowledgement!



You Have the Power

*The **You Have the Power** (YHTP) campaign helps Federal agencies reach their energy-saving goals by raising awareness about energy efficiency at Federal facilities.*

The Federal government can play a unique role in facilitating and encouraging wise energy use, while simultaneously protecting the environment and conserving natural resources. This web site spotlights the work of agency personnel and provides materials and ideas for energy awareness activities, campaigns, and partnerships.

FEMP's **You Have the Power** awareness campaign was

created in 1997 to implement the provisions of *The National Energy Policy Conservation Policy Act* as amended by the *Energy Policy Act* and energy provisions of Executive Order 13423. These statutory and executive branch requirements encourage Federal agencies to develop employee awareness and outreach programs.

Twenty of the largest Federal agencies participate in FEMP's YHTP campaign, and each has a special coordinator who directs the national campaign for his or her agency. The campaign disseminates timely and topical information

through handouts, posters, special publications, and other targeted outreach materials.



Spotlight on Sustaining Member Firms: Tepa EC

Staff located in Tepa EC's Warner Robins, Ga., office provides design-build, vertical and horizontal construction, construction management, engineering, and environmental services to Robins AFB. Our areas of expertise include:

- Design, construction, renovation, upgrades and demolitions
- Water and wastewater utilities
- Trenchless technologies
- Facilities sustainment, restoration, and modernization
- Operations and maintenance
- Remediation and environmental engineering
- Military munitions response and range support
- Electrical (high voltage)
- Communication cabling systems

A Native American tribally-owned 8(a) company, Tepa EC has successfully self-performed multiple design build infrastructure projects for Robins AFB utilizing trenchless

technologies. Tepa recently replaced 1,500 linear feet of 12-inch asbestos cement water main pipe along Oak Street. The job featured pipe bursting, which effectively minimized disruption to normal base operations during construction.

Our professional engineers and geologists support Robins AFB by providing petroleum storage tank management, emergency spill response, and environmental technical services for various projects. Tepa EC's sister company, Komada, is currently constructing a 27,000-square-foot warehouse and office space for the 51st Combat Communications Squadron. Komada is executing this design/build project for the USACE Savannah District.

In 2006, Tepa EC was nominated by the USACE for the Small Business Contractor of the Year award. A financially stable company, Tepa EC's capital supports large contracts with sufficient bonding capacity. We have the ability to increase dollar thresholds on sole source SBA 8(a) contracts and accelerate contract/task order award opportunities. For additional information visit us at www.tepa.com.



WHAT'S COMING UP...

SAME Tour; No General Meeting will be conducted this month

Upcoming Dates in 2007

- *Macon Boeing Plant Tour—Sept 19
- *SAME Regional Conference—Oct 23-25
- November SAME Meeting—Nov 21
- *Featured below

Macon Boeing Plant Tour

The tour is scheduled for **September 19 from 1 - 2:30pm**. An advance list of personnel attending is needed, and each person must meet the following requirements:

- must be US citizens (non-naturalized citizens must submit paperwork in advance for security background checks)
- everyone must wear closed-toe shoes (no exceptions)
- everyone must wear shirts/blouses with at least 3-inch sleeves (no exceptions)

The tour group will be required to arrive at the Officer's Club (O-Club) parking lot no later than 12:15 pm, and the bus will depart the O-Club promptly at 12:30 pm. After the tour, the tour bus will return and drop off attendees at the O-Club at approximately 3:00 pm.



South Atlantic/South Central Regional Training Conference October 23 - 25, 2007

Value of Volunteering at Regional Conferences... We still need some volunteers for this event. If you are planning to attend the conference, please consider volunteering for a few hours. If interested please contact Becky McCoy, 78th CEG/CEV at 478.327.9287.

SAME Mission

"To promote and facilitate engineering support for national security by developing and enhancing relationships and competencies among uniformed services, public and private sector engineers, and related professionals."

SAME Vision

"To be a premier global engineering organization leading the professional and personal growth of all members in support of military readiness and development of solutions to national security challenges."

Professional Development Saturday: Call for Speakers & Topics

The annual PDH Saturday seminar is an opportunity for engineers to acquire Professional Development Hours (PDH), which are required for license renewal. This year's program will be held on November 3 from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Macon State College. This is the ninth year that we have offered PDH Saturday in Macon, and we have a very good turnout for the event.

As a member of the Georgia Society of Professional Engineers, this is a special invitation for you to propose a speaker or a topic for presentation at PDH Saturday. A response, in the form of a form, is due to the Georgia Engineering Alliance office by September 17. A program committee, composed of member engineers, will evaluate the proposals and set the program content based on those received.

GEA welcomes your suggestion(s) for a presentation by your firm that addresses a topic relevant to our members. We hope you will participate.

Please click the following link to download the PDH Saturday Call for Speakers/Topics Form:

<http://www.gspe.org/07%20PDH%20Saturday/RFP%20Request%20Form.pdf>



Warner Robins Air Logistics Center Requirements Symposium: Partnering for Creative Solutions to New Requirements

The WRALC and the Aerospace Industry Committee of the Warner Robins Chamber of Commerce invite you to attend the 2007 Requirements Symposium. This year's conference, providing valuable insight to industry concerning upcoming requirements and acquisitions at Robins AFB, will be held at the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter, in Perry, Ga. There is pre-conference golf for \$85 on November 6 with the conference on November 7 – 8. For golf information, contact Mike Hogan at (478) 328-6630. For additional Symposium information, contact Tim Callahan at (478) 971-6731 or Gary Cox at (478) 922-9052.

All interested contractors are welcome and encouraged to attend this significant event. The preliminary agenda and key topics are reflected below. Our web site, www.wrcoc-aic.org <<http://www.wrcoc-aic.org>>, is now active and has Golf and Symposium Registration information and procedures along with a partial list of breakout sessions. Additional sessions have been proposed and will be added upon approval by the WR-ALC. Please revisit the site occasionally to see the added sessions.

The attendance fee (excluding golf) is \$300; however, a discount price of \$250 is available for those who register and pay on or before September 30, 2007. Refunds are available if requested by October 15. There is no charge for government employees. See schedule below.

Tuesday, November 6

Golf Tournament at The Landings Golf Club

10:30 am – 11:45 am

Registration & Lunch—1200 Shotgun Start

Early Symposium Registration

12 noon-4:30 Eagle Bldg., Museum of Aviation

Wednesday, November 7

Proposed Agenda and Invited Speakers

7am – 8 am

Continental Breakfast and Registration

8 – 8:15 am

Welcome & Opening Ceremonies

8:15 – 9 am

Opening Remarks, WR-ALC, and Wing Briefs
Maj. Gen. Tom Owen, Commander, Warner Robins ALC

9 – 9:35 am

Speaker: "Logistics and Sustainment Challenges and Initiatives," Brig. Gen. Frank Bruno, Director, Logistics and Sustainment, HQ AFMC

9:50 – 10:25 am

Speaker: "Air Force Acquisition Vision"
Ms. Sue C. Payton, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition

10:25 – 11 am

Speaker: "Federal Acquisition Policy, Legislation and Regulation," Mr. Alan Chvotkin, Senior Vice President and Counsel, Professional Services Council

11 – 11:35 am

Speaker: Congressional and AT&L Hot Topics
Mr. Shay Assad, Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy & Strategic Sourcing

11:50 am – 1:15 pm

Lunch -- Guest Speaker

"Supporting the Warfighter," Maj Gen. Darryl Scott, Commander, Joint Contracting Command—Iraq/Afghanistan

1:30 – 4:20 pm

Requirements Breakout Sessions

5:30 – 7:30 pm

Networking Social
Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar
Business Casual/Uniform of the day

Thursday, November 8

7:30 am – 8:30 am

Continental Breakfast

8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Requirements Breakout Sessions Continued—
Lunch provided onsite

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