

Directions to the Hilton Garden Inn Pittsburgh/Southpointe

From the PA Turnpike:

From the West, follow turnpike to Exit 8 New Stanton. Take I-70 West towards Washington. Follow through to I-79 North towards Pittsburgh. Exit 48, Southpointe/Hendersonville. Off the exit, turn left onto Southpointe Blvd. At the stop light turn right onto Corporate Drive. The hotel is at the top of the hill on the right.

From the East, follow turnpike east to Exit 3 Cranberry. Take I-79 South towards Pittsburgh. At the split for 279, stay right, following 79 towards Washington. Take Exit 48, Southpoint/Hendersonville. Off the exit, bear to the right. At the stop light turn right onto Corporate Drive. The hotel is at the top of the hill on the right.

From I-79

From the North, follow I-79 to Exit 48 Southpointe/Hendersonville. Off the exit, bear to the right. At the stop light turn right. The hotel is at the top of the hill on the right.

From the South, follow I-79 to Exit 48 Southpointe/Hendersonville. Turn left off the exit. At the stop light turn right. The hotel is at the top of the hill on the right.

From I-80

Follow I-80 to the I-79 South exit. Follow I-79 South to Exit 48 Southpointe/Hendersonville. Off the exit, bear to the right. At the stop light turn right. The hotel is at the top of the hill on the right.

From the Airport:

Follow signs to Routh 60 South towards Pittsburgh. Stay on Route 60 until you see signs for I-79 South (Washington). Follow I-79 South to Exit 48 Southpointe/Hendersonville. Off the exit, bear to the right. At the stop light turn right. The hotel is at the top of the hill on the right.

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Date:

May 4, 2004, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location:

***Hilton Garden Inn
Pittsburgh/Southpointe
1000 Corporate Drive
Canonsburg, Pennsylvania***

This meeting is hosted by NIOSH/NPPTL and is open to the public. Interested parties should make hotel reservations directly with the Hilton Garden Inn, Pittsburgh/Southpointe (724/743-5000 / 1-800-445-8667) before the cut-off date of April 20, 2004. Special group rates of \$55 per night for federal participants and \$79 per night for non-federal participants have been negotiated for this meeting. The NIOSH/NPPTL Public Meeting must be referenced to receive this special rate.

An opportunity to make presentations regarding the conceptual discussions of standards and testing processes for PAPR standards suitable for respiratory protection against CBRN Agents will be given. Requests to make presentations at the public meeting should be made by e-mail to the NPPTL Event Management Office (npplvents@cdc.gov). All requests to present should contain the name, address, telephone number, relevant business affiliations of the presenter, a brief summary of the presentation, and the approximate time requested for the presentation. Oral presentations should be limited to 15 minutes.

locations considered potential targets, have been developing and modifying response and consequence management plans. Since the World Trade Center and anthrax incidents, most emergency response agencies have operated with a heightened appreciation of the potential scope and sustained resources requirements for coping with such events. The federal Interagency Board for Equipment Standardization and Interoperability (IAB) has worked to identify personal protective equipment that is already available on the market for responders' use. The IAB has identified the development of standards or guidelines for respiratory protection equipment as a top priority. NIOSH, NIST, the National Fire Protection Association, and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding defining each agency or organization's role in developing, establishing, and enforcing standards or guidelines for responders' respiratory protective devices. NIST has initiated Interagency Agreements with NIOSH and RDECOM to aid in the development of appropriate protection standards or guidelines. NIOSH has the lead in developing standards or guidelines to test, evaluate, and approve respirators.

Purpose:

NIOSH will continue discussions of conceptual standards and testing processes for PAPR standards suitable for respiratory protection against CBRN Agents. NIOSH also wishes to obtain comments from individuals regarding tentative schedules and priorities for future CBRN respirator standards development efforts.

NIOSH, along with the U.S. Army RDECOM and the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST), will present information to attendees concerning the concept development for the PAPR CBRN standard. Participants will be given an opportunity to ask questions on these topics and to present individual comments for consideration. Interested participants may obtain a copy of the PAPR CBRN concept paper, as well as earlier versions of other concept papers used during the standard development effort, from the NIOSH NPPTL web site, address: <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl>. The April 1, 2004, concept paper will be used as the basis for discussion at the public meeting. During the October 16, 2003, public meeting, NIOSH indicated that subsequent future standards efforts following the completion of the PAPR CBRN standard would be in this sequence: Integrated self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)/PAPR, integrated SCBA/air-purifying respirators (APR), closed-circuit SCBA, and supplied air respirators. NIOSH wishes to obtain comments from individuals regarding this tentative priority order sequence to determine if it reflects the priorities of the stakeholder community's needs for respiratory protection.

Recent acts of terrorism have created an urgent awareness of domestic security and preparedness issues. Municipal, state, and federal responder groups, particularly those in

Comments:

Comments on the topics presented in this notice and at the meeting should be mailed to the NIOSH Docket Office, Robert A. Taft Laboratories, M/S C34, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45226, Telephone 513-533-8303, Fax 513-533-8285. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to niocindocket@cdc.gov.

E-mail attachments should be formatted in Microsoft Word. Comments should be submitted to NIOSH no later than June 4, 2004, and should reference Docket Number NIOSH-010 in the subject heading.

Registration:

Please confirm your attendance to this meeting by completing the attached registration form and faxing it to NPPTL Event Management at 304-285-4459.