

JSC Standards of Ethical Conduct Determination
[Section 2635.204(g)(2)-(6) -- Widely Attended Gatherings]

On Tuesday, September 28, 2004, through Thursday, September 30, 2004, the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) is hosting the Space 2004 Conference and Exhibit at the San Diego Convention Center in San Diego, California.

The event is to begin at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday September 28, 2004, and will last until 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 30, 2004. AIAA will be serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner to all attendees. The event is an opportunity for the private and public sectors of the aerospace industry to meet and discuss current and future issues. Such issues include:

- * New initiatives envisioned by the DoD in support of the warfighter
- * The role of space in homeland defense
- * NASA vision to explore space and expand our human presence in space
- * Commercial space initiatives and long term potential
- * Launch industry outlook and perspectives
- * Spacecraft industrial base and market demand
- * Technology advances and implications for DoD and Civil applications
- * Civil and DoD communications considerations, limitations, and solutions
- * Education and workforce development
- * Policy and regulatory issues driving international collaborations

The event will be a widely attended gathering of members of academia, U.S. Government agencies, and private aerospace companies from across the United States. The event is of direct interest to NASA and serves as a forum for facilitating the widest practicable dissemination of information concerning the Agency, the U.S. civilian space programs, and NASA educational and community outreach.

NASA civil servants have been invited to attend this event at no charge. It is my determination that it is in the Agency's interest for NASA invitees to attend this event. Their attendance outweighs any concern that the acceptance of any benefits may, or may appear to improperly influence any NASA employee in the performance of official duties.

Accordingly, NASA invitees are authorized to attend and to accept any food, refreshments, and conference materials offered in conjunction with this event, and related events, which are open to all conference attendees, at no cost.



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