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Greetings:

You are cordially invited to attend the 31<sup>st</sup> International Electric Propulsion Conference (IEPC09) scheduled from Sunday, September 20 through September 24, 2009 on the campus of the University of Michigan (Michigan) in Ann Arbor, Michigan – USA.

The IEPC is the premier international forum for developers, researchers, managers, scholars, and students in the field of electric propulsion for spacecraft. The IEPC is held every other year and is attended by about 300 participants from countries all over the world.

IEPC09 will have a rich and diverse technical program featuring the latest developments and research results in the field, as well as a number of informative and educational events along with technical visits to nearby facilities. More information about the IEPC and to register for the conference, please go to: <http://www.iepc2009.org/>.

We would like to share the following tentative IEPC09 itinerary with you so that you can begin to make your travel plans. *For those of you that must obtain a visa in order to enter the United States, we suggest that you start the process immediately.* Please visit the Bureau of Consular Affairs at <http://travel.state.gov>.

### **IEPC09 Tentative Itinerary**

#### Sunday, September 20, 2009

A welcoming reception will take place from 7:00 through 9:00 p.m. in the atrium of the Biomedical Services Research Building.

#### Monday, September 21, 2009

At 8:00 a.m., a continental breakfast and plenary session will commence the first morning of the conference in the Rackham Building. From then on, parallel sessions and lunches will be held in Palmer Commons. A themed luncheon will begin at 12:00 noon. At 2:00 p.m., parallel sessions will begin and end at 5:00 p.m.

#### Tuesday, September 22, 2009

After a continental breakfast (available at 8:00 a.m.), a presentation by the day's keynote speaker will begin at 9:00 a.m. At 10:30 a.m., parallel sessions will start. Enjoy lunch on your own starting at 12:30 p.m. Parallel sessions resume at 2:00 p.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. The IEPC09 Award's Dinner will be held at the Michigan League from 6:30 – 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 23, 2009

After a continental breakfast, a presentation by the day's keynote speaker will begin at 9:00 a.m. At 10:30 a.m., parallel sessions will start. A barbecue luncheon will take place at 12:30 p.m. Campus tours will begin at 2:00 p.m. and end at 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 24, 2009

After a continental breakfast, a presentation by the day's keynote speaker will begin at 9:00 a.m. At 10:30 a.m., parallel sessions will start. Enjoy lunch on your own at 12:30 p.m. Parallel sessions resume at 2:00 p.m. At 5:00 p.m., buses depart from Palmer Commons for the Henry Ford Museum where the IEPC09 Gala Dinner will take place from 6:00 – 10:30 p.m.

Should you have any further questions about the IEPC09 itinerary, please contact Bonnie Bryant at [bbryant@umich.edu](mailto:bbryant@umich.edu) or (734) 764-9508.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Alec D. Gallimore". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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Conference Chair 2009  
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