



Southern Plant Board

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Southern Plant Board Members and Other Meeting Participants

FROM: Christel Harden and Negar Edwards
SPB Local Arrangements Committee

SUBJECT: 2009 SPB Annual Meeting Registration

On behalf of the entire Southern Plant Board (SPB) membership, it is our pleasure to extend to you an invitation to attend the annual meeting of the Southern Plant Board in Greenville, South Carolina, April 19 - 22, 2009. The SPB Local Arrangements Committee and Program Committee have been working hard to prepare for your arrival and participation. Based on this preparation, our final agenda will include many critical program updates and discussion and time for group discussion. Our meeting will also include our traditional poster session and we highly encourage your participation in this activity.

In preparation for your arrival, arrangements have been made for meeting space and accommodations at the Westin Poinsett Hotel, 120 South Main Street, Greenville, South Carolina 29601, phone (864) 421-9700, Fax (864) 421-0460. Rooms are being held under the Clemson/Southern Plant Board group code for \$139.00/night. Please mention Clemson/Southern Plant Board group code when making your reservation. The block rate for rooms will be held until March 29, 2009. For additional information on the hotel, please visit their web site at the [Westin Poinsett Hotel](#) or contact them directly by phone. We encourage you to make your reservations as soon as possible to avoid any difficulties.

Our advance registration fee for this year's SPB meeting is \$225. Additionally, we highly encourage you to bring along your spouse for this meeting. The registration fee for spouses is \$125.00. Your registration fees will include the Opening Night Reception, continental breakfast for each day of the meeting, luncheon meals on Monday and Tuesday, the group dinner on April 20th, the field trip on April 21st, and breaks during the meeting. Plans for the attending spouses are in the works as well. For individuals that may plan to attend only one day of the meeting, a single day registration fee of \$125 will be available on the registration form. As part of the pre-registration process, we encourage you to complete and mail, fax or email your form and check as soon as possible to **Harry Fulton, SPB Secretary, Bureau of Plant Industry, Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce, PO Box 5207, Mississippi St., MS 39762**, phone (662)325-3390, Fax (662)325-8397, email Harry@mdac.state.ms.us. Your pre-registration must be paid in advance by check (enclosed with form) and received by April 1, 2009. Registrations received after April 1st will be \$250. We will accept checks or money orders issued to the Southern Plant Board.

For general information regarding the meeting or for information on the SPB poster session, please contact Negar Edwards at 864-646-2126 or nedward@clermson.edu.

We look forward to a very productive and enjoyable SPB meeting!

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