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**Dear SBA Members and Friends,**

I am very pleased to invite you to the **OSB World Symposium & Exhibition IV and the Structural Board Association Annual General Meeting** to be held on **April 28 to May 1, 2008 inclusive in San Antonio, Texas** at the **Marriott Rivercenter Hotel**.

**To take advantage of huge savings, please note that the SBA is offering *Super Early Bird* Registration Rates for those who register for the meeting on or before March 7, 2008.**

A single or double occupancy room rate of **\$189 US per night** has been negotiated on standard rooms for SBA members and guests. We advise you to book early to avoid disappointment. For hotel reservations please call **1-800-648-4462** (or **1-210-223-1000**) and specify the **SBA OSB World Symposium 2008**. The Hotel will hold a block of rooms for the SBA only up to the **cut-off date of April 7, 2008**.

The Marriot Rivercenter Hotel is located just 8 miles south of San Antonio International Airport (SAT). Shuttle and taxi service and most car rental agencies are available. More detailed information about the hotel can be gleaned from the hotel Website at **<https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/satrc>**

Many of you may want to take advantage of the hotel's riverwalk location to tour the local restaurants, bars and shops. The hotel is also very close to the Alamo and other historical sites. Numerous fine golf courses and parks are also available nearby.

For your information, at the end of April and early May the San Antonio area weather generally has daytime highs of around 80°F (27°C) and nightly lows of 60°F (16°C). For more information about San Antonio, you may consult the following web site: **<http://www.sanantoniocvb.com/>**

The SBA events get underway with a President's Welcome Reception on **Monday, April 28, 2008** at the hotel starting at **6:30 PM**.

**On Tuesday, April 29, 2008, commencing at 8:15 AM** after breakfast, the Symposium covering market, operational, environment and research issues will take place. The provisional list of speakers for the Forum and the registration form are included with this mailing. A lunch will be served at the hotel and the Symposium will continue after lunch. **At 6:00 PM** everyone will assemble in the hotel lobby for the short bus trip to Mi Tierra Café Restaurant for a fun dinner. The evening will begin with a hosted reception followed by some tasty local Mexican fare. Please confirm your attendance and that of any of your guests at the dinner to ensure that there is adequate transportation and food available for everyone.

**On Wednesday, April 29, 2008, commencing at 8:15 AM** after breakfast, the Symposium will resume. A lunch will be served at the hotel and the Symposium will continue after lunch. **At 6:00 PM** everyone will assemble in the hotel lobby for the short boat trip to the Little Rhein Steak House for the Chairman's Dinner. The evening will begin with a hosted reception followed by some delicious dining. This restaurant is also located on the Riverwalk, and the dinner will be held outdoors, weather permitting. Please confirm your attendance and that of any of your guests at the dinner to ensure that there is adequate transportation and food available for everyone.

**On Thursday, May 1, 2008 at 9:00 AM**, there will be an open Meeting of the SBA Board of Directors followed by the open SBA Annual Meeting and the closed SBA Board of Directors Meeting. **The official meeting activities will finish with lunch at around 11:30 AM.**

Finally, the SBA and its members gratefully acknowledge and appreciate the gracious support of all of the sponsors of the Symposium – **BASF, Huntsman Polyurethanes, and TECO**. Further, the SBA wishes once again also to acknowledge and thank **Mr. Michael Adams of Huntsman Polyurethanes** for his hard work and valuable assistance in organizing sponsor support.

We hope that you can attend the meetings and fun events, and we look forward to seeing you in beautiful, historic and fun San Antonio in April.

Best regards,



Mark Angelini  
President and CEO