

GEOHERMAL RESOURCES COUNCIL

2009 Annual Meeting – Abstract Selection Process

The GRC 2009 planning committee is made up of geothermal industry experts. General Chairman Randy Manion and GRC Executive Director Curt Robinson organized the committee. This committee will review all abstracts electronically received by the March 3, 2009 deadline. The ultimate goal is to create a highly educational and informative annual meeting program consisting of technical and poster presentations and panels that address topical and timely geothermal industry issues.

The primary criteria to be used in the selection process are:

- Abstracts are relevant to the Annual Meeting theme, *Geothermal 2009: Making Renewable Energy Hot*.
- Abstracts demonstrate one or more actions needed to secure a sustainable energy future through geothermal projects.
- Abstracts identify major issues and challenges and discuss solutions for advancing the geothermal industry.
- Abstracts avoid sales pitches or commercials.
- Work is relevant and of interest to annual meeting attendees.
- Work is new or presents a new perspective on known material.
- Abstracts are well-organized and clearly describe their relevance to the industry, i.e., offer practical applications and uses for the information presented. Applicants are encouraged to use case studies, offer solutions and include specifics.
- Abstracts offer a degree of in-depth content, even though the audience ranges from beginners to experts.

Consultants and manufacturers may submit abstracts of a non-commercial nature, but obvious commercial sales pitches will not be accepted for a presentation. Being selected to present at the Geothermal Resources Council 2009 Annual Meeting is a privilege and recognizes the presenter as a top industry expert. Based on feedback from prior years, attendees object to any commercial nature in presentations; therefore, a sales pitch will only diminishes the presenter's reputation in the eyes of annual meeting attendees.

The committee will contact the authors by March 18, 2009, regarding whether the abstract has been selected for the technical program or the poster session.

Technical Presentations:

The Planning Committee will review submitted papers for technical content and notify the authors by May 26 that individual papers were (1) accepted for the technical session, (2) conditionally accepted subject to amendments by the author for the technical session, or (3) determined to be more appropriate for the poster session. The committee will assign accepted and conditionally accepted papers to Technical Sessions.

Poster presentations – Authors of these selected abstracts are invited to submit electronically detailed papers by May 11, and to participate in the poster session. Author Instructions will be sent with the letter of acceptance, and can also be found at www.geothermal.org. The papers should include the objectives and scope of the work, methods used, results obtained, contributions to the field and key supporting figures and data. All submissions become property of GRC, and will be published in the GRC Transactions.

Poster presentations are an extremely valuable part of the overall annual meeting program. The meeting features poster presentations prominently as a unique way to convey the author's work, ideas and research. The poster session provides these unique opportunities:

- Display in the exhibition area in a prominent location
- Additional interaction time for authors with attendees
- Easy access to poster presentations
- Clustering in subject areas to promote dialogue with interested attendees
- Listing in the final program

Poster presenters will be required to set up their display on Oct. 4, and must be present at the poster session during the annual meeting.

Technical (Oral) Presentations – Authors of these selected abstracts are invited to submit electronically detailed papers by May 11. Author Instructions will be sent with the letter of acceptance, and can also be found at www.geothermal.org. The papers should include the objectives and scope of the work, methods used, results obtained, contributions to the field and key supporting figures and data. All submissions become property of GRC, and will be published in the GRC Transactions.

If a paper is accepted for an oral presentation, the author must submit it electronically in a PowerPoint presentation to the GRC by Sep. 25. Unless notified otherwise, each technical session presentation will be 20 minutes long, including questions and answers.

All poster and oral participants are expected to notify the GRC office of their attendance to the meeting by July 31.

DEADLINES:

- **Abstract Submission Deadline – March 3, 2009**
- **Abstract Review – March 16, 2009**
- **Abstract Author Notification – March 18, 2009**
- **Draft Technical Paper Submission Deadline – May 11, 2009**
- **Draft Technical Paper Review – May 18 & 19, 2009**
- **Draft Technical Paper Author Notification – May 26, 2009**
- **Final Technical Paper Submission Deadline – June 12, 2009**
- **Notification of attendance to the conference by authors to GRC office – July 31, 2009**
- **Technical Paper Power Point Presentation Deadline – September 25, 2009**