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# Newsletter

## November Meeting

### YUCCA MOUNTAIN – HIGH LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTE SITE

Co-sponsored by: **The Commonwealth Club of California, Energy and Environment Sections**  
**The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, San Francisco Section**

**Speaker: Carl P. Gertz, Project Manager**  
**Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Project**  
**U.S. Department of Energy**

**Date: Tuesday November 12**

**Time: 12 Noon**

**Place: The Commonwealth of California Office**  
**595 Market Street, San Francisco**

**Cost: \$6.00 Members**  
**\$9.00 Guests**

**Lunch: Sandwich and coffee available for \$4.00**  
**(pre-orders only)**

**Reservations: (415) 579-6705**

Yucca Mountain, near Las Vegas, NV has been designated by Congress as the nation's proposed high level nuclear waste repository. The state of Nevada does not want it. Many question whether the designated site is safe. To answer questions about the suitability of Yucca Mountain, the U.S. Department of Energy is conducting a major study of seismic, volcanic and water contamination potential.

Mr. Gertz has been Project Manager of the Yucca Mountain Project Office in Las Vegas since 1987. Before coming to Nevada, he managed nuclear programs for 12 years at DOE's Idaho Operating Office. He holds a Master's Degree in Systems Management from the University of Southern California, as well as a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Michigan State University.

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### ME Professor Appointed Vice Chancellor at UC Berkeley

UC Berkeley Chancellor Chang-Lin Tien appointed Prof. Clayton Daniel Mote, Jr., to the post of Vice Chancellor of University Relations at Berkeley. Professor Mote, who was chair of the Mechanical Engineering Department, began his new position as Vice Chancellor October 1. Mote possesses three degrees--BS, MS, and Ph.D, all in mechanical engineering--from Berkeley. Congratulations, Professor Mote, and good luck in your new position.

### San Francisco Section Executive Council Meetings

**1st Wednesday of each month at 6:15 pm**  
**Room 3110 Etcheverry Hall, UC Berkeley**

All members are welcome and encouraged to help plan this year's Section activities. For more information, call Dennis Lieu (510) 642-4014.

### New ASME Book Series:

#### DATA STORAGE TECHNOLOGIES

ASME Press has announced a new series of technical books devoted to the data storage industry. The series features three books to be published in 1991, followed by other volumes in 1992. The books address electro-mechanical, materials, design, and manufacturing problems associated with information storage. *Advances in Information Storage Systems, Volume I* is now available (Book Number: 800210) from ASME Order Department, 22 Law Drive, P.O. Box 2300, Fairfield, NJ 07007-2300. For information and credit card orders, call 1-800-843-2763, Ext. 580.

#### CAL Solar Vehicle Team Needs Your Help

The UC Berkeley Solar Vehicle Race Team, CALSOL, is currently looking for consultants in various engineering fields to teach and assist the students with the design and manufacture of their vehicle. Anyone interested should contact the CALSOL office at (510) 643-5856.

#### Advertising Space Available:

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### Product Liability Series Continues...

This month, the Diablo Section of ASME addresses Product and Design Liability from the Engineer's Point of View.

**Speaker:** Thomas A. Boster, Ph.D., P.E.  
Boster, Kobayashi & Associates

**Date:** Tuesday November 19

**Time:** 6:00 No-host social hour  
7:00 Dinner  
8:00 Presentation

**Place:** Branding Iron  
730 San Ramon Valley Blvd.  
Danville

**Reservations:** (510) 275-4580

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