



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

National Construction Safety Team Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Construction Safety Team (NCST) Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold an open meeting in-person and via web conference on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time, and on Thursday, March 7, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time. The primary purposes of this meeting are to update the Committee on the progress of the NCST investigation focused on the impacts of Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico, progress of the NCST investigation focused on the Champlain Towers South partial building collapse that occurred in Surfside, Florida, the implementation of recommendations from previous investigations, and receive responses to the Committee's 2023 recommendations. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST website at <https://www.nist.gov/topics/disaster-failure-studies/national-construction-safety-team-ncst/advisory-committee-meetings>.

DATES: The NCST Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time, and on Thursday, March 7, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time. The meeting will be open to the public.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in person in the Heritage Room of the Administration Building, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899 and via web conference. For instructions on how to attend and/or participate in the meeting, please see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tanya Brown-Giammanco, Disaster and Failure Studies Program, Engineering Laboratory, NIST. Tanya Brown-

Giammanco's email address is *Tanya.Brown-Giammanco@nist.gov* and her phone number is (301) 975-2822.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established pursuant to section 11 of the NCST Act (Pub. L. 107-231, codified at 15 U.S.C. 7301 *et seq.*). The Committee is currently composed of five members, appointed by the Director of NIST, who were selected on the basis of established records of distinguished service in their professional community and their knowledge of issues affecting the National Construction Safety Teams. The Committee advises the Director of NIST on carrying out the NCST Act; reviews the procedures developed for conducting investigations; and reviews the reports issued documenting investigations. Background information on the NCST Act and information on the NCST Advisory Committee is available at <https://www.nist.gov/topics/disaster-failure-studies/national-construction-safety-team-ncst/advisory-committee>.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. app., notice is hereby given that the NCST Advisory Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time, and on Thursday, March 7, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time. The meeting will be open to the public and will be held in person and via web conference. Interested members of the public will be able to participate in the meeting from remote locations. The primary purposes of this meeting are to update the Committee on the progress of the NCST investigation focused on the impacts of Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico, progress of the NCST investigation focused on the Champlain Towers South partial building collapse that occurred in Surfside, Florida, the implementation of recommendations from previous investigations, and receive responses to the Committee's 2023 recommendations. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST website at

<https://www.nist.gov/topics/disaster-failure-studies/national-construction-safety-team-ncst/advisory-committee-meetings>.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to items on the Committee's agenda for this meeting are invited to request a place on the agenda. Approximately twenty minutes will be reserved for public comments and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received.

Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. All those wishing to speak must submit their request by e-mail to the attention of Tina Faecke at tina.faecke@nist.gov by 5 p.m. eastern time, Friday, February 23, 2024. Any member of the public is also permitted to file a written statement with the advisory committee; speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who wish to speak but cannot be accommodated on the agenda, and those who are unable to attend are invited to submit written statements electronically by e-mail to disaster@nist.gov.

All visitors to the NIST site are required to pre-register to be admitted. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting in-person or via web conference must register by 5 p.m. eastern time, Friday, February 23, 2024, to attend. Please submit your full name, the organization you represent (if applicable), e-mail address, and phone number to Tina Faecke at tina.faecke@nist.gov. Non-U.S. citizens must submit additional information; please contact Tina Faecke at tina.faecke@nist.gov. For participants attending in person, please note that Federal agencies, including NIST, can only accept a State issued driver's license or identification card for access to Federal facilities if such license or identification card is issued by a State that is compliant with the REAL ID Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109–13), or by a State that has an extension for REAL ID compliance. NIST currently accepts other forms of Federal-issued identification in lieu of a State-issued

driver's license. For detailed information please contact Tina Faecke or visit:

http://www.nist.gov/public_affairs/visitor/.

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NIST Executive Secretariat.

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