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Building Enclosure Technology and Environment Council

Greetings Fellow Building Professional,

I invite you to join me at the Building Enclosure Technology and Environment Council Symposium December 10, in Washington, D.C. This event is a great opportunity for you to catch up on the latest research relating to building enclosures—in particular, ways to improve our existing building stock for energy efficiency. The theme of this one-day symposium focuses on the all-important subject, *Retrofitting Building Enclosures for Energy Efficiency and Sustainability*.

We've got a great program planned, with sessions on:

- Modernization and Energy Efficiency Upgrades for Wall Systems - Case Studies
- Designing Commercial Energy Retrofits for Curtain Walls
- Advanced Glazing and Window Technologies
- Building Enclosure Research at the Department of Energy
- Reducing Air Leakage through Envelope Retrofits: Does Your Building Suck?
- Economic Evaluation of EIFS Energy Retrofits
- Does My Building Envelope Really Need a Retrofit?

In addition, you'll have the opportunity to witness the BETEC Board in action and attend a variety of other educational sessions. The BETEC Symposium is being held in conjunction with the National Institute of Building Sciences Annual Meeting and the Ecobuild America Conference. So, stop by to hear what is being discussed at the BETEC Board meeting and other council meetings of the Institute. Choose from a selection of workshops and seminars at the buildingSMART alliance International Conference, the National High Performance Building Conference, FEDCon and more. Pick sessions from the five tracks and more than 60 topics being offered covering sustainable, green and high-performance solutions. And, most importantly, mingle and talk with your colleagues.

Plus, BETEC members receive a 20% discount off the conference registration fee (enter discount code NIBSF09). The BETEC Symposium, Institute Annual Meeting and Ecobuild America Conference run from December 7 to 10, 2009. Please visit www.nibs.org/AnnualMeeting/ for registration information.

I look forward to seeing you in Washington, D.C.

Sincerely,

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