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UT Presents Annual Forensics Engineering Conference

Two-day Conference Featuring Lectures and Topics in Structural Engineering, Held February 23-24, 2012

AUSTIN, Texas – January 23, 2012 -- The University of Texas today announces its annual Forensics Engineering Conference, a two-day long event focused on lessons learned from hurricanes, building envelopes, structural failures, foundation and other case studies. Featuring many distinguished speakers from academia and the private sector, this event is open to anyone interested in Forensics engineering.

The two-day program features noted speakers and researchers Professor David Fowler and Professor Steve Nichols, from the University of Texas at Austin. The conference also features guest lectures by Narendra K. Gosain from Walter P. Moore and Associates, Inc., Eric Green from Green Engineering Consulting, Jim Wiethorn from Haag Engineering, and Matt Oestrike from Nelson Architectural Engineers.

The program features a new speaker this year, Patrick J Sullivan from QS Tech, who will be presenting Case Histories of Building Failures - Forensics and Methodology. He holds a Professional Engineering license in multiple states, as well as professional registration with the NCEES, and has been named a Fellow in the American Society of Civil Engineers. During his tenure with the State of Texas, he was responsible for design and project management of myriad projects in a CIP with annual expenditures between \$300M and \$1.0B. In 2006, Sullivan launched his own specialty engineering firm, QS Tech, LP, in Austin, Texas, where he currently holds the position of Executive Vice President.

According to Sullivan "this Forensics symposium offers a rare glimpse into some of the most intriguing contemporaneous engineering problems as they really occurred. Furthermore, the symposium offers up close interaction with the top forensics consultants in Texas. The format lends itself to a very satisfying and enjoyable experience."

For details, go to: http://lifelong.engr.utexas.edu/epd/course_1.cfm?course_num=1395

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