

**CMBG Conference 1st Announcement**  
Chattanooga Marriott Downtown  
June 24 - 27, 2018  
Chattanooga, TN



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Tennessee Valley Authority is pleased to host the 25th annual Configuration Management Benchmarking Group (CMBG) conference June 25 - 27, 2018, at the Chattanooga Marriott Downtown in Chattanooga, TN. This announcement provides some preliminary information regarding the conference to allow for proper planning of this important event.

The CMBG conference is a great way to network with other Configuration Management (CM) practitioners throughout the nuclear industry. The conference covers timely topics of true relevance to implementation of successful CM programs. As in the past, the 2018 conference promises to be another informative and interactive benchmarking forum that enables knowledge-sharing of best industry practices.

A large focus of this year's conference will be on the Standard Design Process (SDP) implementation/execution and its interface with Configuration Management principles. This conference will provide a great opportunity to benchmark and share insights on this new process and other cost saving measures. It is critical that we maintain excellent Configuration Management programs through these times of rapid change.

Further details on the 2018 CMBG conference are included and can also be found on the CMBG website (<http://www.cmbg.org/>). Conference registration is available through the CMBG website starting today. Feel free to reach out with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Sincerely,

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A preliminary conference agenda has been established to include the following:

## **Presentations**

- INPO Nuclear Promise Status
- SDP Software Pilot
- Design Owners Working Group (DOWG) – Next Steps
- Standard Item Equivalency Process
- Standard Digital Engineering Process
- CM Innovations
- Document Update Priority Working Group Status
- CM approaches on 50.69 (Risk-informed categorization and treatment of SSCs)
- NRC (State of CM)
- CM OE items
- CM Response to Economic Challenges
- Korean Perspective of SDP
- Vogtle 3&4 Update
- CM Outside of Nuclear

## **Breakouts**

- Standard Item Equivalency Process
- Standard Digital Engineering Process
- SDP Benefits and lessons Learned
- SDP Software Panel Discussion
- CM Innovations
- CM Approaches to 50.69
- CM101
- CM Support of Equipment Reliability
- CM OE Items
- Participant's Choice

## **Conference Registration**

The conference registration fee is \$350, which includes daily breakfast, lunch, refreshments and an evening social event Monday, June 25th. There will be an additional cost of \$40 for any guests that you would like to bring to the evening social event. Conference registration will end May 25, 2018. Late registration is \$425 and will be accepted until June 15th. To register for the conference, visit the 2018 INFO Registration tab on the CMBG website (<http://www.cmbg.org/>). Payment should be made by check or credit card, if another option is needed please contact John Taylor or Patricia Ervin (jdtaylor12@tva.gov or plervin@tva.gov).

**Please make checks payable to Tennessee Valley Authority and put CMBG in the memo field of the check.**

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- Click **FIND AN AGENCY** on the top menu bar
- Click on the alpha letter **T** at the top of the page
- Click on the **Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA)** hyperlink
- Click on the **TVA Conference Fees** and follow the instructions for completing the payment transaction.
- Enter “CMBG 2018” on line item 2 for Conference event title.

## **Hotel Reservations**

The CMBG rate is \$103 per night for guest rooms from June 24-27, 2018. This group rate is available prior to or past these dates subject to room availability. The reservation deadline is May 24, 2018. After that cut-off date, reservations will be accepted on a space and/or rate availability basis only. To reserve a room, visit the Chattanooga Marriott Downtown reservation page booking link

**[Book your group rate for TVA-Sequoyah Nuclear Power Station](#)**

or call the hotel’s reservation department at 1-423-756-0002. For telephone reservations, the group will be listed as **TVA-Sequoyah Nuclear Power Station**.

Chattanooga Marriott Downtown  
2 Carter Plaza  
Chattanooga, TN 37402  
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**Transportation**

The Chattanooga Marriott Hotel is located approximately 15 miles from the Chattanooga airport.

Cab Fare from the Airport is about \$20 - \$30

Uber is at the Airport as well and ranges from \$15-\$20

**Additional Details**

Chattanooga, a city in southeastern Tennessee, is set along the Tennessee River in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. Its trolley like Incline Railway scales steep Lookout Mountain before reaching Ruby Falls waterfall and Rock City, featuring sweeping views, sandstone formations and gardens. Point Park, also atop Lookout, marks the site of a Civil War battle now honored at the Battles for Chattanooga Museum. Favorite tourist destinations include Chattanooga Whiskey Experimental Distillery, Raccoon Mountain Caverns, Tennessee Aquarium Ruby Falls, Lookout Mountain and the Chattanooga Duck Boat Tour.

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This announcement is being distributed to Configuration Management (CM) practitioners listed in the Configuration Management Benchmarking Group (CMBG) database. If you are not the appropriate individual to attend this event, please forward this mailing to the person(s) responsible for CM at your facility or others who might have an interest in the conference's topics. If you would like to be removed from this mailing list, please submit a change request using the Contacts Database Form or email your request to [jdtaylor12@tva.gov](mailto:jdtaylor12@tva.gov) or [plervin@tva.gov](mailto:plervin@tva.gov).