

**The Joint U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and
Department of Homeland Security Conference on Real-World Applications
and Solutions for Microbial Risk Assessment**

Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center
April 8–10, 2008

Logistics

LOCATION

Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center
5701 Marinelli Road
Bethesda, MD 20852
Telephone: (301) 822-9200 or 1-800-228-9290
Fax: (301) 822-9201

Web Site: www.bethesdanorthmarriott.com
(More hotel information can be obtained from this Web site.)

ACCOMMODATIONS

A limited number of sleeping rooms for conference participants have been reserved at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center. The rate is \$201 per night (plus 13% tax).

To receive this reduced rate, please indicate that you are requesting a room for the EPA/Homeland Security conference when making your reservations. **Reservations must be made no later than Monday, March 17, 2008, and must be secured with a major credit card.** Please be certain that the hotel provides you with a confirmation number for your reservation. After **March 17, 2008**, the official room block will be released, and the hotel may charge significantly higher rates and may be sold out. When making a reservation, please provide your room and bedding preferences. The hotel will assign specific room types at check-in, based on availability. Please be advised that requests are not guaranteed. Check-in time is at 3:00 p.m., and check-out time is at 12:00 noon. Any cancellation made by an individual must be done no later than 24 hours prior to the scheduled arrival date. Any room cancellation made after the 24-hour period or a no-show will be charged 1 night's room and tax to the credit card on file.

To Reserve a Hotel Room

Call reservations at 1-800-228-9290 and request a room under the name: **EPA Homeland Security Conference.**

DIRECTIONS

From Points North

From points North and East: Take I-95 South toward Washington to I-495 West (Exit 27-Capital Beltway) toward Silver Spring. Follow I-495 West for 9 miles to Exit 34

(Bethesda/Wisconsin Avenue) toward Rockville. Continue on Route 355 North (Rockville Pike) for 3 miles. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the right.

From points North and West: Take I-270 South. After Exit 8, merge right, into the local lanes. Take Exit 4A (Montrose Road East) onto Montrose Road. Turn right onto Rockville Pike/MD-355 South. Turn right at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the right.

From Points South

Take I-95 North to I-495 (Capital Beltway West) toward Tysons Corner/Rockville. Follow I-495 for 20 miles. Take Exit 36 (MD-187) toward Bethesda/Rockville. Bear left to take the ramp toward Rockville. Turn left onto Old Georgetown Road. Turn right onto Executive Boulevard. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the left.

From Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI)

Take I-195 to Exit 4B (Route I-95 South). Take I-95 South toward Washington (20 miles) to I-495 West (Exit 27-Capital Beltway) toward Silver Spring. Follow I-495 West for 9 miles to Exit 34 (Bethesda/Wisconsin Avenue) toward Rockville. Continue on Route 355 North (Rockville Pike) for 3 miles. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the right.

From Washington Dulles International Airport

Take the Dulles Access Road to Exit 18 (I-495) to Maryland. Take Exit 36 (MD-187) toward Bethesda/Rockville. Bear left to take the ramp toward Rockville. Turn left onto Old Georgetown Road. Turn right onto Executive Boulevard. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the left.

From Ronald Reagan National Airport

Take the George Washington Parkway North for 12 miles to the Capital Beltway (I-495) toward Maryland. Take Exit 36 (MD-187) toward Bethesda/Rockville. Bear left to take the ramp toward Rockville. Turn left onto Old Georgetown Road. Turn right onto Executive Boulevard. Turn left at the light onto Marinelli Road. The hotel is on the left.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Metro

From Union Station or downtown Washington (main Metro lines into the city converge at Metro Center Station and Gallery Place Station), take the Metro Red Line toward Shady Grove (make sure that the train says " Shady Grove"). **Exit at the White Flint Station.** Take the escalator out of the station, go right to the corner, and cross Rockville Pike at the light; you are on Marinelli Road. The conference center is approximately 1 block further on your right.

In addition, there is an underpass that goes under Rockville Pike rather than having to cross over Rockville Pike.

The Metro system is clean, reliable, and safe. It operates from 5:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight on Monday through Thursday; 5:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. on Fridays; 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. on Saturdays; and 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight on Sundays. Each passenger must buy a farecard to travel in the system. Guides for purchasing farecards are posted on the vending machines in each station. Each Metro car features a complete color-coded map of the system. Station attendants on duty at each station can provide additional information on request.

Metro: <http://www.wmata.com/metro/rail/systemmap.cfm>

Shuttles

SuperShuttle offers service to most hotels from the major area airports: Ronald Reagan National Airport, Washington Dulles International Airport (both \$27 per person and \$8 for each additional person), and Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (\$35 per person and \$12 for each additional person). The shuttles leave on an as-needed basis between the hours of 5:30 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. During other times, arrange for a shuttle by calling 800-258-3826 from the airport or visit their Web Site at <http://supershuttle.com>

Taxis

The taxi fare to the hotel is approximately \$55 from Ronald Reagan National Airport, \$55 from Washington Dulles International Airport, and \$75 from Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport.

Parking

Parking is \$4 hourly and \$12 daily. Valet parking is \$12 daily.