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Dear SCI Members:

The Surety Claims Institute (SCI) is pleased to invite you to attend its 39th Annual Meeting and Seminars beginning **Wednesday evening, June 25, through Friday noon, June 27, 2014**, at The Grove Park Inn in Asheville, North Carolina.

The SCI's Annual Meeting is designed to provide its members with outstanding educational programs as well as a unique opportunity to discuss industry trends, challenges, goals and directions in both formal and informal settings. CLE and CE credit for attorneys and insurance adjusters attending the educational sessions will be provided. Furthermore, we try very hard to plan events that can be enjoyed by the entire family. We encourage you to bring your family members so that they may become acquainted with other families of those engaged in our industry.

The Asheville, NC area has a tremendous amount to offer in terms of a thriving arts community, shopping, wineries, and historical and architectural attractions. If you enjoy the mountains, you will be thrilled at the seemingly endless list of outdoor activities in the vicinity, including zip-lining, hiking, white water rafting, fishing and golf.

One of the more popular attractions in Asheville is the Biltmore Estate. For Thursday afternoon, SCI has made arrangements for an optional recreational event about which we are very excited. We are offering through a private tour company, Accents on Asheville, a tour of the Biltmore Estate, the gardens and a vineyard. With some subsidy by SCI, we have negotiated a reduced tour package price that includes roundtrip transportation from the Grove Park Inn, admission to the Biltmore House, Gardens & Winery, and an all-inclusive group lunch. After subsidy, the cost for adults will be only \$79 (\$39 for children, 16 and younger.) Please see the attached flyer for more information about the tour. And, please make your reservations directly with Accents on Asheville.

Room reservations should be made directly with the hotel as soon as possible by telephone (1-800-438-5800). **Mention that you are with the Surety Claims Institute.** Please note that the **hotel cutoff date is May 26, 2014.** After that date, reservations will have to be made as available space and rates allow. We encourage you to contact the hotel directly with any questions or any special requirements or requests for your accommodations. All room and personal charges will be billed and paid by you at the time of checkout.

The enclosed SCI meeting registration form should be completed and returned to us, with a check to cover the fees and costs, by **Monday, June 2**. Registration fees and group function charges may be canceled and are refundable if notification of cancellation is received in writing by 1 p.m. (CDT) on **Friday, June 13, 2014**. Cancellations after that date are subject to only partial refund.

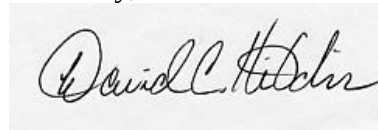
Note that there are different forms for company personnel and attorneys and consultants. To encourage company participation, the Board has provided a discounted registration fee for surety company staff who have paid their 2014 annual, SCI dues. We have tried to hold down meal and event charges in order to encourage attendance of spouses and children. Every effort is being made to keep the cost for everyone as low as possible and still provide a quality event.

The SCI registration desk will be open throughout the afternoon on Wednesday, June 25. SCI scheduled activities will begin on Wednesday evening with a cocktail reception and buffet dinner and the final seminar program will end at approximately noon on Friday, June 27.

We hope you will make plans now to attend and return your reservation forms as early as possible. Early receipt of your registration allows us to seek certification of program materials for CLE/CE credit in advance of the meeting, allows us to arrange better events and to accommodate any special needs or requests of our attendees. Registrations can be mailed with a check to Diane Kennedy at the address shown on the form, itself, or you may register on-line at the SCI website (www.scinst.org). The member log-in is your e-mail address and the password is “**scimember**”. If your e-mail address does not allow you to access the member place where the registration forms are located, please call Diane to obtain specific instructions.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Diane at (913) 317-5100 or dkennedy@gh-ks.com. We look forward to seeing you in June.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David C. Kitchin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

David C. Kitchin, SCI President



“Quality of Service, Quality of Life”
(Asheville City Motto)