

Director of Research Hired

I am pleased to announce that Blazo Ljubicic, Ph.D., accepted the position of HTRI Director of Research effective December 2, 1996. Dr. Ljubicic joins HTRI after working for several years as a Research Engineer at the Energy and Environmental Research Center (EERC) at the University of North Dakota, where he managed and participated in several industry and government sponsored projects. At EERC, Blazo was also responsible for the design and construction activities related to research projects; these skills add a valuable dimension to his role in overseeing the HTRI experimental activities.



Blazo Ljubicic

Dr. Ljubicic, a native of Montenegro, Yugoslavia, earned his Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Novi Sad, Yugoslavia, where he was employed on the faculty of Technical Sciences as an Assistant Professor from 1979-1991. His areas of expertise include fluid mechanics, computational fluid dynamics, hydrotransport, non-Newtonian fluids, and combustion.

We conducted an extensive six-month search prior to offering the position to Dr. Ljubicic. HTRI staff and members of the Board of Directors and Technical Committee participated in all phases of the search process. The unanimous "thumbs-up" vote is a credit to him and demonstrates the positive, productive teamwork which has characterized HTRI in recent years.

With the appointment of Blazo, Fernando J. Aguirre will be able to concentrate on his new duties as Director of Marketing and Technical Training. HTRI's commitment to technical excellence provides you with high quality products and services; we now are well-positioned to continue our technical excellence while increasing our marketing and training efforts.

I extend my appreciation to the representatives of the Board of Directors and Technical Committee for the time and effort they devoted to the search process and to the staff for their concern and diligence in interviewing and hosting candidates. A special note of thanks is due to Dr. Aguirre for excellent service and many accomplishments as Director of Research and his "double duty" of recent months.

Join me in welcoming Blazo to HTRI and wishing both he and Fernando much success in their new responsibilities. I look forward to introducing Dr. Ljubicic to you at the 1997 Winter Meeting.



Fernando J. Aguirre

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Claudette D. Beyer".

Claudette D. Beyer
President and Chief Executive Officer

Upcoming Events

Don't miss the HTRI 1997 Winter Meeting, to be held February 17-21, 1997 in Houston, Texas at the Ritz-Carlton®. A special conference rate of \$118 per night is available. The hotel phone number is 1-713-840-7600.

In addition to business sessions and subcommittee meetings, the popular IST workshop will be offered three times. Meeting registration brochures have been mailed and also can be found, along with a meeting schedule, on HTRI's web site at www.HTRI-Net.com.

To register for this meeting, or for more information, contact:

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Training Available

In order to get the most from your investment in HTRI products and technology, we encourage you to make use of our training services. In addition to offering workshops and seminars at HTRI meetings, we provide custom training at member sites around the world, as well as in College Station.

For more information about training opportunities, including the highly popular IST workshop, contact:

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Holiday Schedule

HTRI will be closed for the holidays from December 23, 1996 until January 2, 1997. During this time, the technical support phone and fax lines will be monitored for urgent messages.

We will resume our normal business hours on Thursday, January 2, 1997.

From the staff of HTRI,

Happy Holidays!

Current Software

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CST	3.1
FH-0	0.00-0.00
IST	1.02
PHE-1	0.21-1.30
RKH	3.1
RTF-2	7.21-1.30
ST	5.1
TWALL	0.12
VIB-0	0.00-0.00

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