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FOREWORD

On behalf of the Conference Organising Committee I want to welcome you to what promises to be a most rewarding, stimulating and enjoyable conference. That this is possible is due in no small part to the financial support of our sponsors and the in-kind support of the employers of the Organising Committee members, but mostly to those of you interested and dedicated enough to participate so as to make a difference.

This year's conference focuses on the important theme "Earthquake Risk Mitigation" and is supported by a very strong collection of papers on Earthquake Engineering, Engineering Seismology, Structural Seismic Design, and Earthquake Risk Management. Our keynote speakers, Peter Graham, Dr John Schneider, and Dr Hugh Cowan, well cover all three areas. Also of note is the upcoming publication of a major revision to the Australian Earthquake Loading Standard, AS 1170.4. A special session led by Prof. John Wilson will be held to introduce the new standard and highlight the major revisions.

The Conference fulfils two of our key goals; firstly that we hold such a meeting to, learn about and publish for our members recent advances in our field, and secondly, to strengthen the links with our New Zealand colleagues whom we warmly welcome.

Last but not least, I want to thank my colleagues on the Conference Organising Committee (Allan McDougall, Kim Farrant and Kevin McCue) for all their time and effort in putting the arrangements in place for this conference. Of course, the assistance of Barb Butler, whose experience with organising this annual event was invaluable, is also gratefully acknowledged.

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