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FOREWORD

It is 30 years since the magnitude 6.9 earthquake, the largest recorded on the Australian Continent occurred at Meckering, Western Australia. With the theme “How would we cope today?”, the Organising Committee for the Society’s 1998 Conference have gathered together participants with engineering and seismology backgrounds.

We have attempted to address the above question by presenting sessions on seismicity and seismic hazard, risk insurance and response management, structural behaviour and design, civil and mining, with an update on progress towards a new earthquake code.

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