



ADVANCING THE TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, PROCESSING AND APPLICATION OF IRON AND STEEL

AIST Fall Meeting Notice / Agenda Cokemaking Technology Committee

Date: Wednesday-Thursday, September 16~17, 2026

Tour: Glidewell Specialties Foundry, Calera, AL

Location: Birmingham, AL

Arrangements

Courtyard Birmingham Downtown At UAB
1820 5th Avenue South Birmingham, AL 35233
Reserve by 27 August for AIST Room Rate of \$159
For reservations, book [online](#)

Guest Committee

[ACCCI](#) – “American Coke & Coal Chemicals Institute”

Wednesday 16 September 2026

Glidewell Specialties Foundry (40mins) 8:30 am
*Summary: Glidewell Overview, Pattern Shop, Core & Molding Floor,
Clean/Fettling Department, Melt Department, Shipping, Pattern Storage + Davis
Machine Shop*

600 FOUNDRY ROAD, CALERA, AL 35040

<https://www.glidewell-foundry.com/>

8809 Highway 25 | Calera, AL 35040 (10mins) 11:00 am

<https://www.davismachineandfab.com/>

Tour [RSVP](#)

Lunch 12:30 pm

Return To Hotel (45mins) 2:00 pm

PPE: Glasses, Short/Long Sleeve Shirt, Long Pants, Closed Toe Shoes
(Parking Limited, Carpool from Hotel recommended)

Thursday, September 17, 2026

AIST CMTTC Meeting

8:00 am
(Light Breakfast/Coffee)

*Note: AIST Technology committee members are asked to print out the latest revised
meeting agenda from our website one week prior to this meeting.*

1. Chair's Opening Remarks – **Scott Pisula**

9:00 am

2. Minute Taker - **TBD**

3. Antitrust guidelines – **Hardie Burgan**



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4. **Membership and Attendance – Charlie Bender**

- a) Current Members - XX
- b) New Members - XX
- c) Members in Attendance – XX

5. **Review minutes of previous meeting – Hardie Burgan**

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6. **AIST Staff Announcements – Charlie Bender**

7. **Conferences/Webinars**

- AIST [Women in Steel](#), Cleveland, Sep 21-23
- AIST [Leadership Conference](#), Colorado Springs, Nov 11-13
- AISTech 2027, Nashville TN, May 3-5
- [Energy and Its Efficient Use in the Steel Industry](#), Ohio, Oct 6-8
- [Digital Transformation Forum for the Steel Industry](#), Pa, Oct 13-14

8. **Steel Industry Fatalities – Bender / Pisula**

- “OSHA Safety & Health Update” – Terry Wagaman, ACCCI
- Open Discussion/Roundtable

9. **Re-Visit to Elect New Officers - Scott Pisula**

- Chair – Hardie Burgan (Chiz Bros)
- Vice Chair – Steve McKnight (U.S. Steel)
- Papers Chair – TBD

BREAK

10:30 am

10. **Main Agenda Items**

- **AISTech Session Development – Steve McKnight**
 - [Technology Conference Program Topics](#)
 - *Abstract Selection (Conference call if necessary) – Sept 16*
 - *Session structure inc/session titles & session chairs – Oct 28*
 - *Review Papers Chair and Session Chair instructions*
- **Finalize Roundup Deadline by February 2027 – Hosfield/Mazzeu/Scott**
Chairs: James Hosfield & Thiago Mazzeu/Jerry Scott
- **Technology Committee Award Planning – Steven McKnight**

2027 [Josef S. Kapitan Cokemaking Award](#)

“This award was established in 1953 as the Journal of Metals Award by the Blast Furnace, Coke Oven and Raw Materials Committee of AIME. The name and award rules were changed in 1960 to the Ironmaking Conference



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Award. The name and award rules were again changed in 1982 to the Josef S. Kapitan Ironmaking Conference Award, then divided into the Josef S. Kapitan Ironmaking Best Paper Award and the Josef S. Kapitan Cokemaking Best Paper Award in 2005. The award is presented to the authors of a technical paper judged by the committee to be the best submitted for the conference at which it was presented."

Graders: Volunteer 1, Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3

2027 Joseph Becker Cokemaking Award

"Established in 1961 by the Blast Furnace, Coke Oven, and Raw Materials Committee of AIME, through a gift of the Koppers Company to honor Joseph Becker, a pioneer in the design of coke ovens. This award recognizes distinguished achievements in coal carbonization and coal technology. These achievements have improved the design, operation and productivity of coke plants and coal chemical recovery equipment and have led to greater efficiency in the use of coke in ironmaking. The recipient of the award must be over forty (40) years of age."

Graders: Volunteer 1, Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3

- **Cokemaking Study Tour – South America Update - *Randolph/Mazzeu***
Sept/October 2027
Proposed Plants:
 1. *Ternium Siderar - Planta General*
 2. *Suncoke - Portaria Norte, White Gold Gerdau*
 3. *ArcelorMittal Pecém – Portaria*
- **Safety Liaison Report – *TBD***
- **Digital Transformation Liaison Report – *Buddy Lee***
- **Decarbonization Liaison Report – *Mark Bidoli***
- **Young Professional Chair Report – *Aram Hermiz***

LUNCH

NOON

11. Technical Presentations

1:00 pm

"Environmental Stewardship / Performance"

- a. "Regulatory Rulemaking & Updates" – David Ailor, ACCCI
- b. TBD, ACCCI
- c. "Clairton Works: C Battery Door Performance" – TBD, U.S. Steel
- d. TBD, Presenter
- e. TBD, Presenter



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If anyone has a technical presentation that you feel will be of interest please reach out to the following: Hardie Burgan or Steve McKnight at hbchizbrosinc@gmail.com or sjmcknight@uss.com, respectively.

BREAK

2:30 pm

12. Future Meeting Tour/Location(s) Open Discussion

- *Byproduct Coke Facilities*
ABC Coke, Birmingham, Al
DTE Energy, Detroit, MI
Indiana Harbor
- *Carbon Capture Process In-Service (Nucor Louisiana)*
Dr. H.S. Valia, Coal Science Inc.
- *Coal Mine & Prep Plant (Princeton, WV or Other)*
- *Refractory Supplier*

13. Next Meeting – Feb 2027, Pittsburgh, PA

- a. w/ Eastern States Blast Furnace and Coke Oven Association
- b. CMTC/IMTC/Energy?

14. Chair Conclusion – *Hardie Burgan*

15. Adjourn



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