

## SECOND CONFERENCE ON THE MECHANICAL BEHAVIOR OF SALT

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### SUMMARY

Some forty-eight participants gathered in late September in Hannover for the Second Conference On The Mechanical Behavior Of Salt. The Second Conference was held in the facilities of the Federal Institute for Geosciences and Natural Resources (BGR) of West Germany. This meeting was a sequel to the First Conference held at The Pennsylvania State University in November, 1981; and both conferences were cochaired by Professors R. Hardy and M. Langer of Penn State and the BGR respectively.

Five technical sessions comprised the papers presentation portion of the Second Conference. These were: (1) Mineralogy/Structural Studies, (2) Laboratory Investigations, (3) Field Measurements, (4) Constitutive Modeling, and (5) Numerical Calculations. Titles of papers and authors will be displayed during the presentation of this report to provide more information on the content of the sessions, and full proceedings will be published at a future date.

A field trip was made to the Asse mine, and the BGR rock testing laboratories were toured approximately midway through the Conference. Post conference tours to natural gas storage facilities and a potash mine also were available.

Proceedings of the First Conference were distributed during the course of the Second Conference. At the conclusion of the Conference, co-chairmen Hardy and Langer announced plans to hold a Third Conference on the Mechanical Behavior of Salt. This Conference will be held at The Pennsylvania State University in around two to three years.