



Solutions from Digital Equipment Corporation

Meeting Announcement

Accredited Standards Committee Meetings (X3T10 and friends)

September 9-13, 1996

Hosted by:
Digital Equipment Corporation

LOCATION: Crowne Plaza
1360 Worcester Road
Natick, MA 01760
Phone: 508-653-8800
FAX: 508-653-1708

ROOM RATE: \$125/night , tax included

GROUP NAME: ANSI or X3T10

RESERVATION CUTOFF DATE: August 8, 1996

The Crowne Plaza is located in Natick, MA approximately 15 miles west of Boston and five minutes off the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90).

Transportation

Shuttle and bus service from Logan Airport to the Crowne Plaza is available. The following are some providers:

Crown Limousine -- 1-800-442-8084 (cost \$32)
Knight's Airport Limousine -- 1-800-822-5456 (cost \$21)
Logan Express Bus Service -- 1-800-235-6426 (cost \$8)

Knight's attempts to transport a full van on each trip, so the service is somewhat slower than Crown Limousine (although more convenient than Logan Express). All limo services require an advance reservation.

The Logan Express Schedule from Logan to Framingham-Natick is as follows:

Weekdays -- 6:30am to 12 midnight, every ½ hour;
Saturdays -- 7am to 11pm, every hour on the hour;
Sundays -- 7am to 1pm, every hour on the hour;
1pm to 12 midnight, every ½ hour.

Call Logan Express for information on pickup points and return schedules. Your destination is the Logan Express bus stop in Framingham at Shopper's World about five minutes away from the hotel (see map below). Travel time is 30 to 45 minutes. The Crowne Plaza provides free transportation from the bus stop. For pickup, call the hotel at the number listed above upon arrival at the bus stop.

As noted on the map, the hotel is directly across from and within walking distance of the Natick Mall. The Mall is fairly large and has the usual selection of fast food places.

Car Rental

For those requiring a car but wishing to avoid the hassle of driving to and from the airport, Hertz and Avis vehicles can be rented after arrival at the hotel. Arrangements for rental at the hotel can be made by calling the following numbers:

Hertz: 1-508-875-1491

Avis: 1-800-831-2847

Driving from Logan airport:

As you exit from Logan Airport, you want to turn left (South on 1A) and go through the Sumner Tunnel (\$1 toll).

Note: Do not attempt to use the Ted Williams tunnel, which is only open to commercial traffic.

If traffic is light, the electric sign will direct you to turn left (South on 1A) directly towards the Sumner Tunnel. If traffic is heavy, the electric sign and state police will require you to take the "alternate route", that is, turn right, North on 1A, away from the tunnel. Get off at the first exit and keep to the left down the exit ramp. At the bottom of the ramp make a U-turn and get back on 1A, heading South and towards the tunnel. Try to develop a sense of patience.

You should be in the left lane going into and through the Sumner tunnel. Upon exiting the Sumner Tunnel, turn sharp right onto a surface street; **do not turn broad right and go up the highway entrance ramp** (which leads to I-93 north). There are signs marking these turns but you won't have time to both read them and cope with the traffic. After the sharp right onto a surface street, drive perhaps 100 yards, staying in the left lane, then make a U-turn under the highway and continue up the entrance ramp onto Rt. 3 South. Follow signs to the Mass Turnpike West. The exit for the Mass Turnpike is on the right at the end of the South Station Tunnel (a different tunnel from before). The signs don't give much advance warning of the exit.

Take the Mass Pike west to exit 13 (Route 30, Framingham/Natick). After the toll booth, bear right and at the second light take a left at the Shopper's World entrance. Follow the road to the end, then take a left at the traffic light onto Rt 9 Eastbound (see map below). The Crowne Plaza will be 50 yards on the right, past Dunkin' Donuts.

In case of problems or questions call Charles Monia at 508-841-6757 or send E-mail to monia@shr.dec.com.

