Welcome to ARC 2000
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Dear Friends:

Welcome to the Automotive Research Center’s (ARC) 6th Annual Conference on Critical Technologies for Modeling and Simulation of Ground Vehicles. Unfortunately, I am unable to attend this important forum as my Senate duties require me to remain in Washington, D.C.

The eight-university basic research ARC consortium, composed of Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin, Wayne State, Alaska, Clemson, Tennessee and Oakland, produces many far-reaching benefits for all Americans. The ARC is engaged in some very exciting and meaningful research, cost-shared with industry and government, in the area of military and commercial ground vehicle computer modeling and simulation. In particular, the ARC’s important research involving high mileage, low-polluting vehicles, especially those employing hybrid powertrains, will benefit the military, taxpayers, consumers, and the environment.

I look forward to the continued success of the ARC as it fulfills its important mission of research, education, and technology exchange and deployment. I wish you a most productive conference and urge you to continue your important work on dual-use initiatives.

Sincerely,

Carl Levin