Georgia Tech to Hold Conference on Economic Development Strategies

Atlanta, Ga....Because the economic development process in Georgia is constantly changing in response to national and international trends, it is essential that companies, agencies and individuals be aware of these changing conditions. Georgia Tech's Engineering Experiment Station is conducting a conference and workshop on Tues., Feb. 28, on economic development strategies for cities, communities and economic areas.

Held in conjunction with the Institute of Community and Area Development of the University of Georgia, the activity is being offered under the auspices of the Economic Development Council of Georgia.

The economic development "'78" approach has been created to inform economic development practitioners of current issues and approaches to economic development and to involve them further in the economic strategies used by local and state development organizations.

Governor Busbee has been invited to discuss his goals for economic development and measures the state government will be taking this year. Lieutenant Governor Zell Miller will identify major economic development issues as viewed by the Economic Development Council of Georgia and approaches to be taken in meeting such issues. Economist Donald Ratajczak

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will discuss economic impacts on development strategy in 1978. Other workshop subjects include: new federal incentives to economic development, changing approaches to industrial development, the north-south economic questions and what government agencies need to do to improve the private sector's role in economic development.

For further information about the meetings, which will be held in the Space Science and Technology Building on the Georgia Tech campus in Atlanta, contact R. E. Collier at Georgia Tech's EES Technology and Development Laboratory. Atlanta, Georgia 30332, (404) 894-3844.