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Potroom Operations & Improvement is a new program of the Aluminum Reduction program at the 2003 TMS Meeting in San Diego, CA to promote increased participation in making presentations at TMS meetings by personnel at aluminum smelters. It is important to maintain a balance between practice-oriented and technical-scientific presentations at the TMS annual meetings.

Thus international aluminum companies were invited to make presentations at the 2003 TMS Meeting that specifically related to potroom operations and performance improvements. A technical paper for publication in Light Metals was not required; rather presentations were submitted on a newly developed TMS PowerPoint template and subsequently published by TMS on a CD-ROM.

Twelve presentations from international smelters were accepted in the 2003 Potroom Operations & Improvement program based on significance, innovation, importance in achieving performance gains, and industrial impact.

Thanks are due to the authors of these presentations for their contributions to exchange information and present the latest developments in aluminum smelter operations at the 2003 TMS Aluminum Reduction Program.

We hope that you will enjoy the information in this Potroom Operations session and that it helps you in your professional career.

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