

**Greater Houston Area Chapter  
Society of Reliability Engineers**



**Friday, April 21, 2017**

**11:30 am-1:00 pm**

**The Houston METRO**

**Kashmere Operating Facility**

**5700 Eastex Freeway, Houston, TX 77208**

# Agenda

11:30 – 11:35 Sign-in and pay dues for 2017 (5-year memberships are available for only \$50 or \$10 for one year!)

*Reed Watson, SRE Treasurer*

11:35 – 11:40 Convene and Lunch (Compliments of the Houston METRO)

11:40 – 11:45 Welcome and Guest Recognition (*Acknowledge first time visitors*)

*Troy Schwartz, SRE President*

11:45 – 11:50 Introduction of Guest Speaker Biography/Credentials

*Samandar Roshan-Zamir, SRE Vice President*

11:50 – 12:30 SRE Presentation Topic

*Houston METRO - Maintenance of the "Big Bus" Fleet*

***Charles "Chuck" Berkshire, Sr Director Bus Maintenance***

*12:30 – 1:00 Q&A, Networking for those not on Tour #1 (See tour information below)*

*1:00 Meeting Adjourned (See tour information below)*

*Tour will follow of the Central Shops Facility which includes central body shop, product remanufacturing shop and major component replacement area. Facility tours will be done in two groups (depending on final attendance). If your departure is not time critical, please allow others to participate in Tour #1.*

**12:30 – 1:00 Tour #1**

**1:00 – 1:30 Tour #2**

## Guest Speaker Biography

**Charles "Chuck" Berkshire, Senior Director Bus Maintenance, Houston METRO**

Chuck Berkshire joined the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County in 2009 as Senior Director of Bus Maintenance. Chuck is currently responsible for the overall management of 1250 buses, 160 paratransit vans, 700 non-revenue vehicles and support equipment.

With over 37 years in the transportation industry, Chuck has held various executive positions with Dallas Area Rapid Transit, New Jersey Transit, Coach USA, Laidlaw Transit Services and the Traxis Group with responsibility in the areas of business development, operations, customer service, vehicle manufacturing and warranty.

Chuck has served as a member of the Transit Cooperative Research Program developing recommended practices for fleet preventive maintenance programs and fleet specific spare ratios. Chuck is also a member of the American Public Transit Association and has served on various technical committees.



## **SRE Mission Statement**

The SRE is an organization that promotes reliability engineering through a community of professionals involved or interested in the application of reliability in all areas of the discipline. SRE has chapters in many US locations as well as internationally.

## **SRE Purpose Statement**

The SRE Greater Houston Area Chapter was established to provide a forum for education, networking, and professional development in the reliability discipline. Our current focus is in the NASA community, but will extend to other industries as the chapter continues to grow throughout the Greater Houston Area.

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