HENDERSON TO RECEIVE AIAA AERODYNAMICS AWARD

William P. Henderson, head, Propulsion Aerodynamics Branch, Transonic Aerodynamics Division, has been selected to receive the 1988 Aerodynamics Award given by the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

The award is presented annually "for meritorious achievement in the field of applied aerodynamics recognizing notable contributions in the development, application and evaluation of aerodynamic concepts and methods." The presentation will take place June 7 during the AIAA 6th Applied Aerodynamics Conference in Williamsburg.

Henderson will be recognized specifically "for outstanding contributions to the development of fighter and transport aerodynamic technology, particularly in the formulation of innovative propulsion integration concepts and associated computational fluid dynamics technology."

He has been responsible for formulating, directing and implementing experiments and analytical research programs in the area of airframe/propulsion integration since he was named branch head in 1975. He began his Langley Research Center career in July
1958 as an aerospace engineer in the 7- by 10-Foot Tunnel and in 1973 was appointed assistant head of the Fluid Dynamics Branch.

A native of Georgia, Henderson received a bachelor of science degree in physics from the University of Georgia in 1958. He earned a master's degree in engineering administration from George Washington University in 1985.

The author or co-author of 55 technical publications, Henderson has received a NASA Exceptional Service Medal and several NASA Special Achievement Awards for his research and leadership in propulsion integration and military technology.

Henderson and his wife, Martha, live in Newport News. They have two children.