

The Council of State Governments Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee

Des Moines Marriott Downtown
Des Moines, Iowa

November 17-18, 2015

Final Agenda

November 17: Committee Business and General Sessions

Cedar Rapids/Council Bluffs/Davenport Room

8 – 8:45 am

Orientation Breakfast for Newcomers

Intended for members who are new to the committee, this session will help participants understand the purpose of the Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee, the Department of Energy programs with which the committee works, and the shipping campaigns that affect the Midwestern states.

Note: For those not attending the Orientation Breakfast, the Cedar Rapids/Council Bluffs/Davenport Room will open at 8:45 am.

9 – 10:15 am

Committee Business Session

Committee members will share information on their states' recent activities related to radioactive waste transportation. Members and staff will also report on their activities as representatives of the Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee, including meetings attended and working group activities. The committee's business sessions are open to all attendees.

Welcome and Introductions (10)	<i>Laura Dresen (Indiana)</i>
Report from the Co-Chairs (5)	<i>Laura Dresen and Kelly Horn (Illinois)</i>
Project Update (5)	<i>Lisa Janairo (CSG Midwest)</i>
Report on the DOE Office of Nuclear Energy Transportation Core Group meeting (10)	<i>Laura Dresen and Kelly Horn</i>
Report on the Environment and the Economy Congressional Subcommittee Hearing (10)	<i>Kelly Horn</i>
National Transportation Stakeholders Forum (NTSF) reports	
– Planning for 2016 Annual Meeting (5)	<i>Laura Dresen</i>
– Information and Communications Ad Hoc Working Group (5)	<i>Katelyn Tye (CSG Midwest)</i>
– Rail/Routing Ad Hoc Working Group (5)	<i>Kelly Horn</i>

- Section 180(c) Ad Hoc Working Group (10) *Teri Engelhart (Wisconsin)*
- TEPP Training Ad Hoc Working Group (5) *Jon Schwarz (Nebraska)*
- Transportation Planning Ad Hoc Working Group (5) *Teri Engelhart*

10:15 – 10:30 am

Break

10:30 am – 12 pm

Committee Business Session continues

- Regional Roundtable (45) *All committee members and other guests*
- Election of Co-Chair for 2016-2017 (5) *Kelly Horn*
- Committee Discussion
 - Prioritization of Spent Fuel Transportation Issues (15) *Laura Dresen*
 - Planning for FY16 and Beyond: Results of the Committee Member Survey (15) *Lisa Janairo, Katelyn Tye*
 - Committee Publications (5) *Katelyn Tye*
 - Committee Work Group Assignments (5) *Lisa Janairo*

12 pm – 1:30 pm

Lunch (on your own)

1:30 – 3 pm

U.S. Department of Energy Program Updates

Attendees will hear about the latest developments within the Department of Energy's programs that are responsible for transporting radioactive materials, including spent nuclear fuel. Speakers will also address upcoming activities that will affect the Midwestern states.

DOE Office of Environmental Management (DOE-EM)

Office of Packaging and Transportation (30) *Ellen Edge, DOE-EM*

- Background
- Status of DOE Site Cleanup
- Update on Shipments that Affect the Midwestern States
- National Transportation Stakeholders Forum Activities
- Midwestern Cooperative Agreement

DOE Office of Nuclear Energy (DOE-NE) Nuclear Fuels Storage and

Transportation Planning Project (35) *Erica Bickford, DOE-NE*

- Background
- Activities Related to Consent-Based Site Selection
- Transportation Activities
- Midwestern Cooperative Agreement

- DOE Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) (25)** *James Mason, DOE-CBFO*
- Background
 - Status of WIPP Recovery Operations
 - Transportation Program
 - Midwestern Cooperative Agreement and State Agreements

3 – 3:15 pm

Break

3:15 – 3:45 pm

Nuclear Energy in the Midwest and Issues Related to Interim Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel

This session will examine the role that nuclear power plays in the Midwest, explain current practices for temporarily storing the spent nuclear fuel generated by nuclear power plants, and highlight the reasons for moving toward a long-term solution to the problem of nuclear waste.

Speaker: *Brian Rude, Vice President, External and Member Relations at Dairyland Power Cooperative*

3:45 – 4:25 pm

Information on Other Federal Programs

Representatives of other federal programs will provide an overview of their role in radioactive waste transportation and will highlight opportunities for state participation in current or upcoming initiatives.

Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program (NNPP):

Overview of Shipments and Exercises (30) *Barry Miles, NNPP*

Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) Update (10) *Mel Massaro, FRA*

4:25 – 5 pm

Committee Business Session continues

Committee Discussion

- Spring Meeting (10) *Laura Dresen*
- Other Committee Events (10) *Kelly Horn*
- Travel Reimbursement Review (5) *Lisa Janairo*
- Action Items Review (5) *Katelyn Tye*
- Announcements (5) *Lisa Janairo*

5 pm

Meeting Adjourned

5:30 – 7:30 pm

Group Dinner (optional)

Meeting attendees will gather in the lobby for the trip to The Stuffed Olive at 208 3rd Street in Des Moines. A shuttle will be available for those who do not wish to walk.

Important Note: Members of the Rail/Routing Ad Hoc Working Group will be meeting at the Des Moines Marriott Downtown from 6–8:30 pm in Salon E. Dinner will be served. Anyone who is a member of the ad hoc working group should attend that session instead of the Midwestern committee’s group dinner at The Stuffed Olive.

Wednesday, November 18: Transportation Mode Demonstrations

- 9 am** **Depart Hotel for Demonstrations**
The demonstrations and associated briefings will be held at the Iowa Department of Transportation facility at 2300 SE 17th Street in Grimes.
- 9:30 – 11:30 am** **Rail Briefing**
National and Regional Rail Industry Overview *Ben Jones and Kelli O'Brien, Union Pacific (UP)*
Radioactive Shipments – Incident Prevention and Response *Ben Salo, UP*
Q&A/Discussion
Demonstrations:
1) Fire Truck *Ben Salo*
2) Positive Train Control (PTC) *William Boyd, UP*
- 11:30 – 11:45 am** **Break**
- 11:45 am – 12:45 pm** **Working Lunch: Briefing on Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance Inspection Program**
Boxed lunches will be provided.
- 12:45 – 1:45 pm** **WIPP RH-72 B “Road Show” and CVSA Mock Inspection**
- 1:45pm** **Leave DOT Facility for Hotel**
- 2:15 pm** **Arrive at Hotel**

Note: Members of the Rail/Routing Ad Hoc Working Group will resume their meeting at the Des Moines Marriott Downtown from 2:30–5:30 pm in the Cedar Rapids/Council Bluffs/Davenport Room.