

**2004 FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section Annual Meeting
Preliminary Agenda**

Monday, October 4, 2004

8:00 AM – 11:30 AM **General Session**

Presiding

Robynn Wilson, Motor Fuel Tax Program Manager, State of Alaska and National Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section

Welcome

State of Massachusetts

Federation of Tax Administrators Update

Harley Duncan, Executive Director, Federation of Tax Administrators

Federal Highway Administration Update

Linda Morris, Manager – Fuel Tax Evasion Program, FHWA/Office of Transportation Policy Studies

Internal Revenue Update

Kevin Brown, Commissioners of Small Business (SBFC), Internal Revenue Services

ExSTARS Update

Rich Little, Program Analyst, Internal Revenue Services

AASHTO National Cooperative Highway Research Program

Joe O’Gorman, Chief, Audit Services Branch, New Jersey Division of Taxation, Past National Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section

Temporary Gas Tax Reduction

Lynn McElroy, Motor Fuel Tax Coordinator, Florida Department of Revenue

Uniformity Update

Canadian Fuel Tax Council

Charles Greenough, Project Manager, Canadian Fuel Tax Council

United States Uniformity Project

Patricia Platt, Kansas Department of Revenue and Uniformity Committee State Co-Chair

Bill Gray, Sinclair Oil and Uniformity Committee Industry Co-Chair

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch** *(provided)*

1:00 p.m. – 4:15pm **Concurrent Sessions (repeating sessions)**

Analysis of Motor Fuel Electronic Tax Reporting

Moderator: *Christy Dixon, Tax Auditor, Oklahoma Tax Commission and National Vice Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section*

Topics: **The advantages and disadvantages of filing Electronic Motor Fuel Tax Reports.**

Presenters: *Angie Hill, Michigan Department of Treasury, Bureau of Revenue*
Dan Farrish, Murphy Oil Company
Janet Zahn, Excise Tax Compliance Manager, ExxonMobil Corp.

Collection Tools

Moderator: *Peter Steffens, Revenue Program Administrator, Florida Department of Revenue and Past National Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section*

Panel: *Marcia Leichner, Audit Manager, Nebraska Department of Revenue*
George Higdon, Director, Petroleum Tax Division, Mississippi State Tax Commission
Roland Marr, Division Manager, Illinois Department of Revenue and Past National Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Regional Meetings**

Tuesday, October 5, 2004

8:00 AM – 11:30 AM **General Session**

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Alternative Fuels

A-55 (emulsified diesel fuel) Dennis Bowersox, Global Companies LLC

Bio Diesel, *National Bio Diesel Board*

E-85, *Robert Maliszewski, Marathon Ashland Petroleum LLC*

American Petroleum Institute (API) Update

Anne Price Warhola, Tax Counsel, American Petroleum Institute

What States Do Right

Bill Gray, Excise Tax Manager, Sinclair Oil Corporation and Uniformity Industry Co-Chair

Invitation to the 2005 Annual Meeting

Janet Lake, Administrator, Motor Fuels Tax, Nebraska Department of Revenue and Past National Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section

Robert Beck Award

Peter Steffens, Revenue Program Administrator II, Florida Department of Revenue and Past National Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section

National Chairs Report

Robynn Wilson, Motor Fuel Tax Program Manager, State of Alaska and National Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section

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Tools and Resources for Motor Fuel Tax Administrators

Moderator: *Patricia Platt, Public Service Administrator II, Kansas Department of Revenue and Uniformity State Co-Chair*
Bill Gray, Excise Tax Manager, Sinclair Oil Corporation and Uniformity Industry Co-Chair

Topic: **Use of the Model Legislation Checklist**
Benefits of Uniform Forms

Presenters: *Herman Wisneski, Revenue Tax Specialist, Minnesota Department of Revenue*
Donna Alderman, Admin. Officer III, North Carolina Department of Revenue
Bob Donnellan, Senior Tax Manager, Global Companies LLC

Giving the Money Back

Moderator: *Carol Player, Auditor, South Carolina Department of Revenue*

Panel: *Peter Steffens, Revenue Program Administrator, Florida Department of Revenue and National Past Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section*
Bob Frank, Administrator Fuel Industry, California State Board of Equalization
Alana Goureau, Section Manager, South Dakota Department of Revenue

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Annual Business Meeting**

Wednesday, October 6, 2004

8:30 AM – noon **General Session**

Presiding

Robynn Wilson, *Motor Fuel Tax Program Manager, State of Alaska and National Chair of the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section*

Taxation by the Navajo Nation

Mark C. Graham, *Executive Director, Office of the Navajo Tax Commission*
Dorothy Scott, *Navajo Tax Commission*

How Gasoline is Made

Robert Maliszewski, *Marathon Ashland Petroleum LLC*

National Fuel Diversion Registry

John Nordlie, *Chief, Excise Tax, Wisconsin Department of Revenue*