

June 5, 2009

TO: Tax Administrators & Industry Representatives  
Midwestern Region Motor Fuel Tax Section

FROM: Kevin Schatz  
Supervisor Motor Fuels  
ND Tax Department

SUBJECT: Federation of Tax Administrators  
Midwestern Region Motor Fuel Tax Section  
2009 Annual Conference

WHEN: July 28-30, 2009

WHERE: Nebraska State Office Building  
1313 Farnam-on-the Mall, Room 226  
Omaha, Nebraska

The Midwestern Region Motor Fuel Tax Section Chair Kevin Schatz, from the State of North Dakota, the North Dakota Tax Department, and the Nebraska Department of Revenue extend a cordial invitation to attend the 2009 Midwestern Region Conference. The meeting will be held at the Nebraska State Office Building at 1313 Farnam-on-the-Mall, Room 226, Omaha, Nebraska, July 28-30, 2009.

Our Motor Fuels group had planned to meet as part of the full MSATA group in mid August in Fargo, North Dakota. Since some states have imposed travel restrictions, the traditional face-to-face conference was cancelled and replaced with a “virtual” conference environment. The Motor Fuels Section requested the opportunity to meet separately in the traditional manner. The Commissioners have honored this request.

#### **Conference Registration**

There is no registration fee; however, we would like to have a count of people who will be attending. Please fill out the attached registration and return it to Nebraska no later than June 30, 2009.

#### **Hotel Registration**

There are several hotels in the downtown area, but the following hotel has agreed to hold a block of rooms for us at the \$99 government rate:

Doubletree Hotel  
1616 Dodge Street  
Omaha, NE 68102  
Phone: 402-346-7600 or 800-766-1164

Note: The Doubletree Hotel is approximately five blocks west of the Office Building. The Old Market is 1-2 blocks southeast of the Office Building. The hotel provides a complimentary shuttle as well as airport shuttle service. Hotel parking is \$7 per day. This hotel will hold the block of rooms until July 7<sup>th</sup>. Please indicate you are with the “FTA-Motor Fuels” group to get the \$99 rate.

There are two other hotels in the downtown area that we know will offer a government rate, but are either a little further away or didn't have the block availability we needed.

Hampton Inn & Suites  
1212 Cuming Street  
Omaha, NE 68102  
Phone: 402-345-5500

Note: The Hampton Inn is a new hotel within a block of the Qwest Center. The Hampton Inn is approximately one mile from the Office Building, but has a 24 hour complimentary shuttle service that will travel within five miles of the hotel. They also provide a complimentary “hot breakfast”.

Hilton Garden Inn  
1005 Dodge Street  
Omaha, NE 68102  
Phone: 402-341-4400

Note: This hotel is about five blocks northeast of the Office.



**Federation of Tax Administrators  
Motor Fuel Tax Section  
49<sup>th</sup> Midwestern Region Conference**

**July 28-30, 2009  
Omaha, Nebraska**

**Tuesday, July 28, 2009**

1:00pm – 5:00pm      **General Session**

**Presiding**

*Kevin Schatz, Supervisor Motor Fuels, ND Tax Department and Midwestern Chair*

**Welcome**

**Roll Call of States**

*All States Present*

**Introduction of Attendees**

*All Attendees Present*

**National Chairs Report**

*Herman Wisneski, Revenue Tax Specialist, Minnesota Department of Revenue and the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section National Chair*

**FTA Update**

*Cindy Anders-Robb, Motor Fuel Tax Section Manager, Federation of Tax Administrators*

**Federal Highway Administration Update**

*Michael Dougherty, Program Analyst, Federal Highway Administration*

**Uniformity Update**

*Herman Wisneski, Revenue Tax Specialist, Minnesota Department of Revenue and the FTA Motor Fuel Tax Section National Chair*

**Internal Revenue Update**

*Richard Little, Sr. Program Analyst-Fuel Policy, Internal Revenue Services*

**Wednesday, July 29, 2009**

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

**Presiding**

*Kevin Schatz, Supervisor Motor Fuels, ND Tax Department and Midwestern Chair*

**MUD** (Metropolitan Utilities District)

**TBA**

**Bio Diesel Presentation/Ethanol Presentation**

**TBA**

**Dyed Fuel Enforcement**

**TBA**

Roundtable discussion on “How each Midwestern Region states present at the conference collects the Motor Fuel today”

*(All States Present)*

11:30AM – 1:00PM      (Lunch on your own)

1:00PM – 4:30PM

**State Update (All states present)**

*New Legislation*

*Other Issues*

**Federal Grants for Motor Fuels**

*How to apply for reimbursement*

*What needs to be reported to the FHWA*

*Michael Dougherty, Program Analyst, Federal Highway Administration*

**Safeguard of ExSTARS Information (6103C vs 6103D)**

*Cindy Anders-Robb, Motor Fuel Tax Section Manager, Federation of Tax Administrators*

**MIDWESTERN REGION BUSINESS MEETING**

Old Business

Committee Reports

Time/Place – Herman Wisneski

Resolutions – Trent Knoles

Nominations – Marcia Leichner

New Business

**Thursday, July 30, 2009**

8:30AM – 11:30AM

Midwestern Region Task Force  
(Only State and IRS can attend)



**OMAHA, NEBRASKA**

**JULY 28-30, 2009**

**MOTOR FUELS MSATA 2009**

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

### Attendee #1

First Name	Last Name	Preferred First Name (for name tag)
Title	Organization	
Mailing Address		City, State, Zip
Business Phone Number	Business Fax Number	E-mail Address

### Attendee #2

First Name	Last Name	Preferred First Name (for name tag)
Title	Organization	
Mailing Address		City, State, Zip
Business Phone Number	Business Fax Number	E-mail Address

Register by June 30, 2009.

Please e-mail, fax, or mail this Motor Fuels MSATA 2009 Conference Registration form to those listed below.

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