

FTA Northeastern Motor Fuel Tax Section Conference
May 13 through May 15, 2008
Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

FREDERICTON, the City of Stately Elms

- **Founded in 1784, the city of Fredericton is located 500 miles east of Montreal and 430 miles north of Boston. Divided by the second longest river on North America's Atlantic coastline, Fredericton has a population of 86, 000 citizens.**
- **Fredericton was recently declared one of the top five new technology boomtowns in Canada and boasts of having more businesses per capita than any other place in the country. The core of the city of Fredericton covers 50 square miles but, with the inclusion of three provincial counties, encompasses 1750 square miles in total.**
- **Completely conducive to outdoor enthusiasts, Fredericton offers 800 acres of parkland, which includes vast amounts of flora, fauna and wildlife and, in fact, it is not uncommon to see wildlife roaming throughout the city in any given season. It also includes several recreational facilities, golf courses, sports complexes, beaches and 40 miles of pedestrian/cyclist trails which are used and enjoyed year round.**
- **As well as customizing to the life of those who are athletically inclined, Fredericton offers a wide variety of cultural attractions as well. Citizens and visitors alike can enjoy several museums of art and history, galleries housing such famous paintings as "Santiago Del Grande" by Salvador Dali as well as several stage theatres.**
- **From an educational perspective, Fredericton is home to two universities (University of New Brunswick & St. Thomas University) as well as several post-secondary learning facilities. Currently the total student population of Fredericton is approximately 10,000 which is an excellent reflection of the educational advantage the city offers.**
- **Fredericton is within a two-hour drive of several breathtaking provincial tourist attractions such as the Bay of Fundy (location of the world's highest tides), Parlee Beach (one of the most beautiful beaches in North America) and the Hopewell Cape Rocks (allows its visitors the experience of walking on the ocean floor during low tide and to witness ocean rocks which were carved by melting glaciers).**
- **The Province of Prince Edward Island is a mere three-hour drive from Fredericton where tourists can enjoy a delicious lobster dinner after a day of sight seeing or soaking up the sun at one of it's beautiful beaches such as Cavendish.**
- **Fredericton and its' surrounding attractions await you!!**

Conference Location

The conference will be held at the Crowne Plaza – Lord Beaverbrook, Fredericton, New Brunswick Canada from Tuesday May 13 to Thursday May 15, 2008. Overnight accommodations at the hotel may be made by calling 1-866-444-1946 or via email reservations@cpf Fredericton.com. The rate for all attendees is \$129.00 per night plus 13 % HST. Attendees must identify themselves as being with the Federation of Tax Administrators Conference. The deadline for hotel reservations will be April 12, 2008. If you wish to extend your stay, the hotel has agreed to offer these rates for three additional nights before and after the conference. For more information about the Crowne Plaza – Lord Beaverbrook, please see their website at www.crowneplaza.com/fredericton . It is strongly encouraged that participants make their reservations early.

Conference Program

The conference program consists of presentations on various topics of interest to motor fuel tax administrators and industry representatives. Please see the preliminary agenda, which is enclosed. If you wish to add other topics to the agenda, please let us know by April 30, 2008.

Registration

The registration fee for the conference is \$350.00 CDN or US Funds per person for both government and industry representatives. The registration fee covers the Tuesday evening welcome reception, Wednesday and Thursday morning refreshment and lunches, and the Wednesday night Banquet. The conference registration deadline is April 15, 2008. Registration fees cannot be refunded for cancellations received after April 30, 2008. However substitute delegates can be sent.

Please make checks payable to the “New Brunswick Minister of Finance”.

Mail to: Melinda Pedersen

440 King Street, Kings Place, King tower Suite 234

P.O. Box 3000

Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada

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Social Events

The conference will begin Tuesday Evening May 13th, 2008 with a reception featuring hot Hors d’ oeuvres. A conference banquet will be held on Wednesday evening May 14th, 2008 featuring the King George’s Banquet at Kings Landing Historical Settlement. Guests are welcome to attend, for an additional fee, the Tuesday Reception and/or the Wednesday evening Banquet (see Delegate Registration Form for details).

Transportation

Fredericton International Airport is within 15 minutes of the hotel. Fredericton's Airport is a small airport and the main connection is three flights per day to both Toronto and Montreal on Air Canada Jazz. If you choose to land in Maine and drive, the Bangor Airport is a three-hour drive to Fredericton while the Portland Jetport is a five-hour drive. Fredericton is approximately a six and a half hour drive from both Manchester, NH and Boston, MA. From all points in the US Fredericton can be reached by traveling on US I-95 then NB 95 and then Trans-Canada # 2 which are all four lane divided highways.

Directions

The conference is being held at 659 Queen Street in Downtown Fredericton, NB at the Crowne Plaza. (please refer to Map Quest for directions). Depending on how you are traveling into Fredericton there are several routes to the hotel, which is located in the downtown core.

Climate

Typical May temperatures average around the mid 60 degree mark during the day and into the 40's at night.

Dress

The dress for the conference is business casual except for the banquet on Monday evening, which will be semi-formal.

For additional information, please contact:

Melinda Pedersen or Mark Leahy at (506) 453-2708

Melinda.Pedersen@gnb.ca or Mark.Leahy@gnb.ca

Participants can expect this year's conference to be both educational and enjoyable. I look forward to seeing you there.

William Staples
Director of Audit & Investigation Services
New Brunswick Department of Finance



Lodging Accommodations are available at

Crowne Plaza – Fredericton

For the

**Federation of Tax Administrators
Motor Fuel North East Regional Conference**

Tuesday May 13 to Thursday May 15, 2008

At a rate of \$129.00 per room per night

Plus 13% HST.

**Rooms will also be available at this rate for a period of three
days before and after the conference.**

**Please call 1-866-444-1946 (Toll Free Direct) or
Email reservations@cpfredericton.com
Before April 12, 2008 to make reservations.**

Space is held on a first come, first serve basis.

**Crowne Plaza Fredericton
659 Queen Street, Fredericton, NB**

Village historique de
KINGS LANDING
Historical Settlement

You are cordially invited to attend
the
FTA Dinner Banquet
Wednesday May 14, 2008
at
Kings Landing Historical Settlement
Prince William, New Brunswick

King George's Choice

Reception @ 6:00

Appetizer

Assorted Garden Greens

Entrees

Your Choice of

Choice A: Fresh Atlantic Salmon Filet – oven roasted, sprinkled with lemon & dill
with Rice Pilaf

or

Choice B: Roast Prime Rib of Beef – slowly roasted and served au jus with herb
roasted potatoes and Yorkshire pudding

*Chef's Choice of two seasonal garden vegetables fresh from the heritage gardens
will compliment your main course selection*

King George's Dessert

Apple blossom with brown sugar sauce

*Freshly brewed coffee or tea, a basket of Kings Landing Brown Bread, homemade
condiments and dessert*

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Name:	
Preferred Name For ID Badge:	
Agency/Company:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip or postal code:	
Telephone:	Fax:
Email Address:	

DELEGATE REGISTRATION FEE SCHEDULE
FTA Motor Fuel Tax

FEES: \$350 US or CDN

- GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE
- INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVE

NOTE: Please identify all fees in U.S. Funds or Canadian

\$ _____ Registration Fee (includes all meals for Registrant)

\$ _____ Guest Attendee(s), Reception, Tuesday May 13th (please multiply \$30.00 by the number of guests)

\$ _____ Guest Attendee(s), Banquet & Social Event At Kings Landing, Wednesday May 14th (please multiply \$60.00 by the number of guests)

\$ _____ Total Payment enclosed (Checks should be made payable to "New Brunswick minister of Finance")
Unfortunately, credit card payments cannot be accepted

Please indicate which meals and/or activities you will attend:

___ Reception, Tuesday 13, 6:00pm – 8:00pm ___ Morning Refreshments, Wednesday May 14 7:30am – 8:30am
 ___ Banquet & Social Event, Wednesday May 14, 5 pm – 10pm Meal Choice A (Salmon) ___ Meal Choice B (Roast Beef) ___
 ___ Morning Refreshments, Thursday May 15, 7:30am – 8:30am

Please indicate any special needs (accommodations for disabilities, restricted diet, etc.) so that we can fully assist you.

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT BY APRIL 15th
MAIL PAYMENTS TO:

Melinda Pedersen
440 King Street, Kings Place, King Tower, Suite 234
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For registration assistance & questions, please contact: Melinda Pedersen or Mark Leahy at (506) 453-2708.
Email: Melinda.Pedersen@gnb.ca or Mark.Leahy@gnb.ca

Registration fees include all scheduled events and meals as noted with the exception of hotel costs. Attendees must make their own hotel reservations. The block discount rate expires April 12@ 5:00pm.



Preliminary Tentative Agenda
2008 FTA Northeastern Motor Fuel Tax Section Conference
Hosted by the Province of New Brunswick
 May 13 to 15, 2008

Tuesday May 13, 2008

1:00-5:00 p.m. **Registration**
 Lobby
 Please check in upon arrival

6:00-8:00 p.m. **Conference Opening Reception**
 St. John Miramichi Room
 Come meet everyone over hors-d'oeuvres

Wednesday May 14, 2008

7:30-8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
 Outside of Junior Ballroom

8:30 a.m. **Opening ceremony**

9:30 a.m. **Report by FTA Chair** Jimmy Archer

10:00 a.m. **FTA Update** Cindy Andres-Robb

10:00 a.m. **Morning Break**

10:15 a.m. **FHWA** Sherri Alston & Mike Dougharty

11:00 a.m. **IRS Update** TBC

Noon **Lunch**
 Outside of Junior Ballroom

1:15 p.m. **Uniformity Update** Bob Donnellan

1:30 p.m. **Canadian FTC Update** Charles Greenough

1:45 p.m. **Fuel Cap Presentation** Nicholas Banting

2:30 p.m. **Fuel Movement Issues** TBC

3:00 p.m. **Afternoon Break**

3:15 p.m. **Alternative Fuel Options** TBD

4:30 p.m. **Adjournment**

5:30 p.m. **Social Event at Kings Landing**
 Please meet in Lobby

Thursday May 15, 2008

7:30-8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
 Outside Junior Ballroom

8:30 a.m. **U.S. Industry Update** Wayne MacDonald

9:30 a.m. **Canadian Industry Update** TBC

10:30 a.m. **Morning Break**

10:45 a.m. **Oil Industry Update** TBD

Noon **Lunch**
 Outside Junior Ballroom

1:15 p.m. **Bio Fuel Issues** TBD

2:00 p.m. **Ethanol** TBD

3:00 p.m. **Afternoon Break**

3:15 p.m. **Next Years Meeting**

3:45 p.m. **Business Meeting**
 (Government Only)

Friday May 16, 2008

9:00 a.m. **Task Force Meeting**
 Junior Ballroom
 (Members of Task Force Only)