

# revised AGENDA

## *Transportation at a Crossroads*

The First Meeting of the U.S. Department of Energy's  
[National Transportation Stakeholders Forum](#)

**May 25-27, 2010**

The Westin Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois

### **MONDAY, MAY 24**

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<b>10 am – 6 pm</b>	<b>Tour of Argonne National Laboratory</b>	<i>Board bus on Delaware</i>
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*Tour participants will learn about the history of Argonne National Laboratory and observe the decontamination and decommissioning that is generating shipments of radioactive waste to sites like DOE's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant. The group will also see a demonstration of DOE's new system for using radio-frequency identification technology to track shipments in real time. A visit to the DOE Region 5 Radiological Assistance Program facility will give participants a first-hand look at the resources that are available to help states and tribes in an emergency. Finally, participants will have a chance to see Argonne's Advanced Photon Source and Blue Gene/P supercomputer – cutting-edge facilities that support the lab's ongoing mission in research and development.*

*Attendees will board the bus east of the main entrance beginning at 9:45 am for a prompt departure at 10 am. The bus will return to the Westin by 6 pm.*

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### **TUESDAY, MAY 25**

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<b>7:30 am – 12 pm</b>	<b>Exhibit Setup</b>	<i>Cotillion South</i>
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8 am – 12 pm	<b>Risk-Communication Training</b>	<i>Cotillion North</i>
<i>This workshop will provide communication responders with principles and techniques necessary to address incidents involving DOE-owned radioactive material. Participants should expect to learn how to identify stakeholders; recognize how stakeholders prefer to receive information; integrate risk communication principles; recognize the importance of earning trust and credibility; and use a variety of templates designed to keep messages focused.</i>		
Ronald Edmonds, Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education, Instructor		
8 am – 5 pm	<b>National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) High-Level Waste Working Group Meeting</b>	<i>Consulates 1-2</i>
<i>This meeting of the NCSL High Level Waste Working Group will provide an opportunity for members to conduct business, hear updates from NCSL staff, and engage in strategic planning for future NCSL work. Legislators will have an opportunity to share the latest news from their states and discuss expectations of the NCSL HLWWG for the National Transportation Stakeholders Forum during a roundtable discussion.</i>		
Representative John Heaton, New Mexico, presiding		
12 – 6 pm	<b>Exhibits</b>	<i>Cotillion South</i>
12:15 – 5:30 pm	<b>The Council of State Governments' (CSG) Northeast High-Level Radioactive Waste Transportation Task Force Meeting</b>	<i>Consulate West</i>
<i>The Northeast High-Level Radioactive Waste Transportation Task Force meets to consider regional issues. The agenda includes a business session, state reports, plans for small quantity shipment campaigns, committee reports, publication updates, scheduling and priorities for FY 2011. Task Force members will also discuss expectations for the NTSF meeting. The meeting is open to general attendance.</i>		
John Giarrusso, Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, presiding		
12:30 – 6 pm	<b>CSG Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee Meeting</b>	<i>Mayfair</i>
<i>The spring meeting of the CSG Midwestern Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee will include a business session at which members will discuss the progress of various committee work groups, review and approve revisions to the regional Planning Guide for Shipment of Radioactive Materials through the Midwestern States, and prepare for the state presentations and discussions at the NTSF meeting on Wednesday. The meeting is open but space is limited so registration is requested.</i>		
Melanie Rasmusson, Iowa Department of Public Health, presiding		

1 – 6 pm	<b>Southern States Energy Board (SSEB) Radioactive Materials Transportation Committees</b>	<i>Buckingham</i>
<p><i>The Southern States Energy Board's Radioactive Materials Transportation Committees will host a spring forum to discuss matters of importance to the region. Agenda topics to be addressed include revision of the organization's Transportation Planning Guide for the U.S. Department of Energy's Shipments of Transuranic Waste, SSEB's 50th Anniversary Meeting, and group expectations for the NTSF. In addition, presenters will be available to provide region-specific updates to the members. Committee business will be conducted from 1 to 3 pm after which the meeting will be open for general attendance.</i></p>		
1 – 6 pm	<b>Tribal Caucus</b>	<i>Windsor</i>
<p><i>An organizational meeting of the tribes (closed session) will be held from 1 to 3 pm. Beginning at 3 pm (open session), presenters will be available to provide updates to the tribes on the progress the DOE's transportation programs and to respond to tribal issues and concerns related to transportation planning and communication.</i></p>		
1:30 – 5:30 pm	<b>Western Governors' Association (WGA) Transportation Safety Technical Advisory Group Meeting</b>	<i>Cotillion North</i>
<p><i>The WGA Transportation Safety Technical Advisory Group will hold its spring meeting to discuss issues pertaining to the Western Governors' goal of ensuring safe and uneventful transport of radioactive materials. Topics of discussion include revisions to the WIPP Program Implementation Guide, transportation planning for high visibility federal shipments, and discussing expectations for the National Transportation Stakeholders Forum. Committee business will be addressed from 1:30 to 3:15 pm, after which the meeting will be open for general attendance.</i></p>		
<p>Anne deLain Clark, New Mexico Department of Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources, presiding</p>		
evening	<b>Organized Night Out</b>	
<p><i>Chicago is famous for its world-class restaurants, unparalleled live music performances, and hallowed sporting venues like the friendly confines of Wrigley Field, home of the Chicago Cubs. Take the opportunity to experience Chicago while networking with other meeting attendees at one of several outings, including mouthwatering Chicago-style pizza, tantalizing steaks, and the Cubs at home against the Los Angeles Dodgers.</i></p>		
<p><i>All groups will gather in the lobby of the hotel. The group heading for the Cubs game will depart at <b>6 pm</b>. All other groups will depart at <b>6:30 pm</b>. <a href="#">Registration</a> is required for all outings.</i></p>		

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 26**

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<b>7:30 am – 5 pm</b>	<b>Registration</b>	<i>Cotillion South</i>
<b>7:30 – 8:30 am</b>	<b>Breakfast</b>	<i>Cotillion North</i>
<b>8 am – 6 pm</b>	<b>Exhibits</b>	<i>Cotillion South</i>
<b>8 – 8:15 am</b>	<b>DOE’s National Transportation Stakeholders Forum (NTSF) Meeting Convenes</b>	<i>Cotillion North (all NTSF sessions)</i>
	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Steve O’Connor, DOE Office of Packaging and Transportation	
<b>8:15 – 8:30 am</b>	<b>Welcome to Illinois</b> <i>Speaker to be determined</i>	
<b>8:30 – 10:30 am</b>	<b>Opening Plenary: Transportation Across the DOE Complex</b>  <i>A panel consisting of DOE leadership and program managers will address the status of transportation activities within their programs and the impact of funding made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.</i>  Frank Marcinowski, DOE-EM Deputy Assistant Secretary for Technical and Regulatory Support Dr. David Moody, Manager, DOE Carlsbad Field Office Jon Neuhoff, Director, New Brunswick Laboratory, DOE Office of Science Ahmad Al-Daouk, Manager, Nuclear Security Department, National Nuclear Security Administration Jim Wade, DOE Office of Nuclear Energy, Packaging and Transportation  Ken Niles, Oregon Department of Energy, moderating	
<b>10:30 – 10:45 am</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>10:45 am – 12 pm</b>	<b>Expectations for the National Transportation Stakeholders Forum</b>  <i>DOE and its state and tribal stakeholders will have an opportunity to explain their expectations and how they hope to benefit from the NTSF. Panelists will also discuss possible topics to cover at future meetings or webinars, as well as ideas for topics that might warrant the formation of ad hoc working groups to resolve. The discussion is sure to bring out ideas for strengthening the collaborative, consultative process that brings DOE and its stakeholders together to plan and prepare for shipments of radioactive waste and material.</i>  Steve O’Connor, DOE/EM Office of Packaging and Transportation John Sattler, DOE Consolidated Business Center Tim Runyon, Illinois Emergency Management Agency Willie Preacher, Director, Shoshone-Bannock Tribal DOE Program Representative John Heaton, New Mexico  Ray English, DOE Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program, moderating	
<b>12 – 1:30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch (on your own)</b>	

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**1:30 – 2:45 pm**

**Federal Agency Partners**

*Representatives of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Federal Emergency Management Agency, U.S. Department of Transportation, and other federal partners will provide NTSF participants with timely information about specific programs and initiatives that have the potential to affect state and tribal engagement in radioactive materials transportation.*

Earl Easton, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Mark Abkowitz, U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board  
Mike Conroy, Radioactive Materials/Office of Hazardous Materials, PHMSA/DOT  
John Woulfe, International Association of Fire Chiefs: Hazmat Fusion Center

William Spurgeon, DOE/EM Office of Packaging and Transportation, moderating

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**2:45 – 3:30 pm**

**Communicating with States and Tribes about Shipments**

*In this discussion-oriented session, panelists will talk about the kind of shipment-related information tribal and state officials need, how they use that information, the challenges DOE programs might face in providing what the states and tribes request, and possible ways to overcome those challenges. The goal will be to identify specific actions the states, tribes, and DOE can take to improve the way they communicate about shipments.*

Neil S. Weber, Director, Department of Environmental and Cultural Preservation, Pueblo of San Ildefonso  
Representative Tom Holbrook, Illinois  
Lieutenant Bill Reese, Idaho State Police  
Jim Wade, DOE Office of Nuclear Energy  
Ella McNeil, DOE/EM Office of Packaging and Transportation

Melanie Rasmusson, Iowa Department of Public Health, moderating

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**3:30 – 3:45 pm**

**Break**

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**3:45 – 4:15 pm**

**Enhancements to the DOE Transportation Emergency Preparedness Program (TEPP)**

*As TEPP has matured, significant changes have been made to the program. This presentation will address the enhancements that have been made based on user feedback, partnerships, and reviews, and will address other changes on the horizon.*

Tom Clawson, Technical Resources Group, Inc.

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**4:15 – 4:45 pm**

**TRANSCOM: Current and Future**

*An overview of the current projects and activities, highlights of recent program accomplishments, and a glimpse of the next decade of shipment tracking and monitoring.*

Steven Casey, DOE TRANSCOM Contracting Officer Representative

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**4:45 – 5:30 pm**

**Closing Plenary/Wrap-up**

*During this session, participants will be asked to provide on-the-spot feedback on the NTSF meeting, the plans for the new forum, and their priorities for working on transportation-related issues identified at the meeting. The session will conclude with moderators reviewing and assigning action items, as well as identifying next steps for continuing the work of the NTSF.*

Steve O'Connor, DOE/EM Office of Packaging and Transportation, and Dr. Edward Wilds, Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, moderating

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**THURSDAY, MAY 27**

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**7:15 am – 4:30 pm**

**Tour of Argonne National Laboratory**

*Board bus on Delaware*

*For a description of the tour, see the listing for Monday, May 24.*

*Attendees will board the bus east of the main entrance beginning at 7 am for a prompt departure at 7:15 am. The bus will return to the Westin by 4:30 pm. Attendees may arrange their own shuttle service directly from Argonne to O'Hare and Midway airports provided the pickup time is 3:30 pm or later.*

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**7:30 am – 12 pm**

**Take Down Exhibits**

*Cotillion South*

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**8 am – 4 pm**

**TRANSCOM User's Group Meeting**

*Buckingham*

*The TRANSCOM annual User's Group meeting will bring together state governor's representatives, local law enforcement, first responders, tribal governments, state regional groups, and shippers of transuranic waste and other high-visibility DOE shipments to participate in a working meeting. During the first half of the meeting, TRANSCOM project staff will present a program review of the monitoring system to include enhancements made over the prior year. During the second half of the meeting, user group participants will work together to identify priorities and activities for DOE and the TRANSCOM project team to consider and pursue in 2010.*

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