

# NGFA Ag Transportation Symposium

May 12-13 \* Kansas City, Mo.

InterContinental Kansas City Hotel at the Plaza

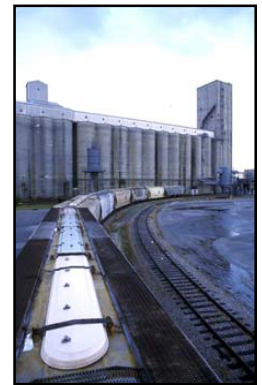
If you ship or receive grain, feed or feed ingredients, or other grain products by rail, barge or vessel, Kansas City, Mo., is the place to be on May 12-13!

That's where the NGFA will host a comprehensive and authoritative Agricultural Transportation Symposium at the InterContinental Hotel at Alameda Plaza. If transportation is part of your business model, this symposium is not to be missed!

Early Bird  
Registration  
Deadline -  
April 20!

## Symposium Topics and Speakers

Here's the lineup of all-star speakers and wide-ranging topics that will be addressed at this unique symposium, spearheaded by the NGFA's Rail Shipper-Receiver Committee, chaired by **Dan Mack**, vice president, transportation, CHS Inc., Inver Grove Heights, Minn. Unless otherwise indicated, all speakers are confirmed.



**Tuesday, May 12**

**9 a.m. to Noon:**

◆ **Keynote Address: Michael Haverty**, chairman and chief executive officer of the Kansas City Southern Railway, Kansas City, Mo. Haverty will provide his perspectives on the state of the rail industry.

◆ **Outlook and Issues Confronting Private**

**Rail Cars:** Offering the perspectives of lessors, manufacturers and owners will be panelists

**Jeff Lytle**, senior vice president, CIT Rail, Chicago, Ill.; **Roger**

**Wyenkoop**, chief commercial officer, Trinity Railcar, Dallas, Texas; and **Darrell**

**Wallace**, president of the North American Freight

Car Association and vice president, Transportation Commodities Group for Bunge North America Inc., St. Louis, Mo.



◆ **Forecast for Ocean**

**Freight:** Featuring **Peter Sandler**, director of ocean freight strategy and business development, Louis Dreyfus, Corp., Wilton, Conn.

**Noon to 1 p.m.:** Luncheon

**1 to 5 p.m.:**

◆ **Resolving Disputes:** Dispute-resolution forums to be discussed will include the

NGFA's Rail Arbitration and Mediation System; formal and informal dispute-resolution options available through the STB and other forums; and the alternative dispute resolution program with producers unveiled by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway. Speakers

will be: NGFA Transportation Counsel **Andrew Goldstein** of the Washington-based

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law firm of McCarthy, Sweeney and Harkaway; **Kevin Kaufman**, group vice president, BNSF Railway, Fort Worth, Texas; and NGFA Counsel for Public Affairs **Charles Delacruz**.

**Wednesday, May 13**

**9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.:**

◆ **Rail Policy Issues:** Discussion will focus on the biggest challenges and opportunities facing the rail sector, the appropriate role for government regulation and oversight, capital investment requirements, and public/private solutions. Featured panelist is **Paul Hammes**, vice president and general manager for agricultural products, Union Pacific Railroad Co., Omaha, Neb.

◆ **Products Competing for Transportation Availability – Future Trends:** **Bill Hudson**, principal/founder of The ProExporter Network, Olathe, Kan., will examine domestic and world market trends that will influence the volume and types of ag commodities and products that will compete for transportation availability in coming years, including an updated review of prospects for the biofuels industry.



◆ **Outlook for the Barge Industry and Inland Waterways System:** Featuring **Rick Calhoun**, president of Cargo Carriers Inc., Minneapolis, Minn., and **John LaRandeau**, manager of the Inland Navigation Program at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Northwestern Division, Omaha, Neb.

◆ **Agricultural Producer Perspectives on Transportation:** Featuring **Mike Steenhoek**, executive director of the Soy Transportation Coalition, Urbandale, Iowa.

◆ **Public Policy and Transportation Infrastructure – What the Future Holds:** Featuring federal Surface Transportation Board (STB) Chairman **Frank Mulvey** (*invited*) and **Bruce Blanton**, associate deputy administrator of the Transportation Services Division at the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service, Washington, D.C. Blanton also will discuss USDA's new study on transportation, trends in ag transportation and related topics.

◆ **Wall Street's Views on Rail Investment:** The financial industry's views concerning investment in the transportation industry and its financial prospects will be discussed by **William Green**, executive director of Morgan Stanley, New York, N.Y.

**11:30 a.m.:** Symposium Adjourns



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## REGISTRATION FORM

Please type or legibly print all information. One person per form, please; duplicate this form for additional registrants. Return by fax to (202) 289-5388 or by mail to: 1250 Eye St., NW, Suite 1003, Washington, DC 20005.

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS:** Call the InterContinental Kansas City at the Plaza at 1-866-856-9717 to reserve a room. Identify with National Grain and Feed Association to obtain special room rates of \$179, single/double occupancy. Reservations can also be made online at [www.kansascityic.com](http://www.kansascityic.com) using our group booking code **NGF**. **Room block cut-off date is May 3.** After May 3, the hotel will accept reservations based on availability, but at a significantly higher rate. **If you have difficulty obtaining a room, contact Rachel Kudelko at NGFA by calling (202) 289-0873.**

### Registration Fees

Early Bird Member Rate: \$310  
(By April 20)

Member Rate: \$350  
(After April 20)

Non-Member Rate: \$490

### Payment Options

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**Special Needs:** If you require special assistance or if you have specific dietary needs **including allergies**, please check box and attach an explanation.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** Registration fees will be refunded in full if cancellation notice is postmarked or faxed on or before **April 24, 2009**. Cancellation notices postmarked or faxed between **April 24 and May 6** will be assessed a \$75 administrative fee. **No refunds will be provided to any person canceling or failing to give notice of cancellation after May 6, 2009.**