NGFA Country Elevator Conference Program Schedule

(As of Nov. 27, 2013)

Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013

8:30 – 1:30 p.m.: Leadership Conference for State/Regional Associations Affiliated with

NGFA (by invitation only)

2 – 3:15 p.m.: Workshop on Training Employees on Changes to OSHA Hazard

Communication Standard – Required for All Elevators, Feed Mills and Processing Plants (open to all conference registrants at no additional

charge; Hosted by NGFA Country Elevator Committee)

3:15 – 5:15 p.m.: NGFA Country Elevator Committee Meeting (open to NGFA members)

4-7 p.m.: Trade Show Open

5:30 – 7 p.m.: Welcome Reception in Trade Show

Monday, Dec. 9, 2013

6:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.: Country Elevator Conference Registration

6:30 – 8 a.m.: Idea-Exchange Continental Breakfast – Trade Show Open

7 – 8 a.m.: NGFA Grain and Feed PAC Breakfast

8:15 a.m.: Conference Convenes

"Welcome to the Show Me State"

Remarks: **Bruce Sutherland**, Vice President

Michigan Agricultural Commodities Inc., Lansing, Mich.

Chairman, NGFA Country Elevator Committee

"Congressional Agenda for 2014"

Speaker: Honorable **Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer**, R-Mo. (*confirmed*) Member, House Financial Services and Small Business Committees

9:10 a.m.: "Futures Market Customer Protection Rules and High-Frequency

Trading"

Speakers:

Dan Berkovitz, Partner, WilmerHale, Washington, D.C. (confirmed)

Rob Creamer, President and Chief Executive Officer

Geneva Trading, Chicago, Ill. (confirmed)

Monday, Dec. 9 (Continued):

NGFA Policy Minute – "NGFA's Views on Futures Market Customer Protection"

Comments: Todd Kemp, Vice President, Marketing and Treasurer,

NGFA, Washington, D.C.

10:20 – 10:40 a.m.: Break

10:40 a.m.: "Maintaining Grain Quality After Big, High-Moisture Harvest"

Speaker: **Robert Marlow**, The Andersons, Maumee, Ohio (confirmed)

11:20 a.m.: "2013 Farm Bill – Changes in How Farm Programs Will Operate

in 2014"

Speaker: Patrick Westhoff, Director

Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (FAPRI), Columbia, Mo.

(confirmed)

NGFA Policy Minute – "NGFA's Policy Priorities on New Farm Bill"

Comments: Max Fisher, Director of Economics and Government

Relations, NGFA, Washington, D.C.

11:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.: Membership and Marketing Committee Meeting

Noon – 2 p.m.: Walk-Around Lunch in Trade Show

NGFA Grain and Feed PAC Committee Meeting

2 p.m.: NGFA Policy Minute – "Rail and Waterway Transportation Issues

Affecting Grain Shippers and Receivers"

Comments: Randy Gordon, President

Jared Hill, Director of Legislative Affairs, NGFA, Washington, D.C.

2:15 p.m.: "Future Direction of Federal Crop Insurance Program"

Speaker: **Brandon Willis**, Administrator, Risk Management Agency

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. (confirmed)

NGFA Policy Minute - "Training Employees on New OSHA Hazard

Communication Standard"

Comments: Jess McCluer, Director, Safety and Regulatory Affairs

NGFA, Washington, D.C.

Monday, Dec. 9 (Continued):

3:15 - 3:40 p.m.: Break

3:45 p.m.: NGFA Policy Minute – "FDA's Food and Feed Safety Rulemakings –

Impacts on Country Elevators"

Comments: David Fairfield, Vice President, Feed Services, NGFA,

Atlantic, Iowa

"Biofuels – Its Future and Impacts on Grain Handlers"

Speaker: Marty Ruikka, Principal, The ProExporter Network

Chelsea, Mich. (confirmed)

5 p.m.: Conference Recesses

5:30 – 6:30 p.m.: Country Elevator Conference Reception in Trade Show

5:30-7 p.m.: Trade Show Open

Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2013

6:30 – 7:45 a.m.: Idea-Exchange Continental Breakfast

8 a.m.: Country Elevator Conference Reconvenes

"Economic and Market Outlook for 2014"

Speaker: **Terry Barr**, Director, Knowledge Exchange Group

CoBank, Denver, Colo. (confirmed)

NGFA Policy Minute – "Trends and Changes in NGFA Arbitration"

Comments: Charlie Delacruz, Vice President, General Counsel and

Corporate Secretary, NGFA, Washington, D.C.

9 a.m.: "Sustainability Initiatives and Impacts on Grain Handlers

and Producers"

Speakers: Fred Luckey, Chairman, Field to Market –

The Alliance for Sustainable Agriculture, St. Louis, Mo. (confirmed)

Jennifer Luchte, Co-Chair, Food, Beverage and Agriculture Sector

Working Group, The Sustainability Consortium;

Corporate Responsibility Manager, Monsanto, St. Louis, Mo. (confirmed)

10:30 a.m.: "The New Health Care Law and Other Employee Benefit Programs"

Speaker: Michael Nader, Partner, Faegre Baker Daniels LLP

Ft. Wayne, Ind.

11:30 a.m.: Country Elevator Conference Adjourns

Committee Meeting:

10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.: Agroterrorism/Facility Security Committee Work Session