



Passenger Railroad Conference on Labor Management Relations

November 9-10, 2010

Sheraton Philadelphia City Center Hotel
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Tuesday, November 9

8:15 - 9:00	Registration/Continental Breakfast - Philadelphia Ballroom
9:00 - 10:00	<p>General Session - Independence Ballroom</p> <p>Welcome Patricia Sims, Senior Mediator, NMB</p> <p>Opening Remarks Linda Puchala, Board Member, NMB</p> <p>Keynote Speaker Joe Szabo, Administrator, FRA</p>
10:00 - 10:15	Break
10:15 - 11:15	<p>Successful Joint Labor - Management Initiatives</p> <p>New Jersey Transit: C3 Program Kevin O'Connor, Deputy General Manager Transportation, NJT Tom Pontolillo, Assistant to the President & Director of Research, BLET</p> <p>Amtrak Program: Joint Medical Administration Committee (JMAC) Charlie Woodcock, Chief LR Officer & Assistant Vice President Ivy Silver, Consultant, JMAC Russ Oathout, International Secretary -Treasury, TCU</p> <p>Moderator Gerry McGuckin, Mediator, NMB</p>
11:15-12:00	<p>Health Care Best Practices - The Challenges Presented By Today's Environment</p> <p>Matt Quade, Principal, Mercer Karen Mallett, Principal, Cheiron Ivy Silver, Consultant, JMAC</p> <p>Moderator Victoria Gray, Mediator, NMB</p>

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12:00-1:30	Keynote Luncheon – Philadelphia Ballroom
	Introduction Harry Hoglander, Chairman, NMB Featured Speaker The Honorable Ray LaHood, Secretary of Transportation
1:30 – 3:00	General Session – Independence Ballroom High Speed Rail John Tolman, Vice President, BLET James Stem, National Legislative Director, UTU Stephen Gardner, Vice President, Policy & Development, AMTRAK Al Engel, VP High Speed Rail, AMTRAK (?) Moderator Jim Mackenzie, Mediator, NMB
3:00– 3:15	Break
3:15 – 4:45	RLA Minor Disputes – Initiatives in Grievance Handling. Roland Watkins, Director Arbitration, NMB Panel A Agnes Duncan-Pollard, Director of Labor Relations, NJT Dennis Boston, Vice President, BRS Panel B Andy Paul, Deputy Director Labor Relations, Metro North Mike Doyle, General Chairman, ACRE Anthony Bottalico, General Chairman, ACRE Monu Singh, Assistant Director, Metro North Deborah Horrell, Executive Director, Industry Relations, TCU Moderator Daniel Rainey, Chief of Staff, NMB
5:00-6:30	Cocktail Reception (Cash Bar) – Horizons Rooftop Ballroom

Wednesday, November 10

8:15-9:00	Continental Breakfast - Philadelphia Ballroom
9:00 - 10:00	General Session - Independence Ballroom A Historical Perspective: Understanding How State Budgets Provide Funding For Passenger Rail Josh Javits, Arbitrator/Mediator Gerald Hanas, General Manager, NICTD Moderator John Livingood, Mediator, NMB
10:00 - 10:30	Break
10:30 - 11:45	Use of Technology in Labor Relations Dan Rainey, Chief of Staff, NMB Dennis Boston, Vice President, BRS Leo McCann, President, ATDA Moderator Denise Hedges, Senior Mediator, ADR, NMB
11:45-12:00	Closing Remarks -Elizabeth Dougherty, Board Member, NMB