

MAASTO Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, May 26, 2016
7:00 am to 8:00 am
Dubuque Room, Des Moines Marriott Downtown Hotel
Des Moines, Iowa
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Agenda Topics:

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| 1. Welcome and Introductions | Commissioner Zelle |
| 2. Minutes of September 2015 BOD meeting in Chicago, IL (attached) | Serge Phillips |
| 3. Financial Report (attached) | Jim Barna |
| 4. Review and Discussion of Michigan Committee Summit | Commissioner Zelle |
| 5. Committee's Reports | |
| a. STIC | Chris Hundt |
| b. Chief Engineer's Committee | Jerry Younger |
| c. Planning Committee | Chris Herrick |
| 6. Discussion of Formation of a Chief Counsel Group | Commissioner Zelle |
| 7. Discussion of AASHTO Reorganization | Director Trombino |
| 8. Open Discussion | |

Proposal to add a "Motor Carrier Committee" to MAASTO's Committee structure

Background:

The importance of transportation networks and systems to the efficient and effective movement of freight has long been recognized by MAASTO states. Equally important is the need to look past individual state borders and focus on regional, national and international cooperation and coordination.

Recognizing the nationwide activity related to freight transportation, the Mississippi Valley Conference Board entered into a contract in 2002 with the transportation center at the University of Wisconsin. The purpose was to facilitate freight activities, mainly through study and analysis of interstate freight issues for the region. An outcome of this effort was the establishment of the Mid-America Freight Coalition, with members from all MAASTO states. This coalition currently reports to the Board through the Planning Committee.

In 2007, the Board established the Subcommittee on Highway Transport. Creation of this subcommittee grew out of the need to coordinate and improve the efficiency of oversize and overweight permitting processes for interstate commerce. AASHTO was also passing resolutions regarding harmonization of motor carrier regulations. They addressed such topics as interstate permitting, and size and weight regulations. Due to the differences in the individual departments' authority related to motor carrier activity, and specifically the oversize and overweight permitting process, this subcommittee also includes members representing state departments of revenue. The difficult task of harmonizing the oversize and overweight permitting process within member states is crucial, and the effort will continue under the existing subcommittee on highway transport

Recommendation:

With the current emphasis on interstate freight movements, commercial motor carrier operations and regulations, and also the potential for Interstate and National Freight Network size and weight limitations, this is the time to establish a Motor Carrier Committee within MAASTO. This committee would look beyond oversize and overweight permitting processes, and also beyond freight planning issues. A Motor Carrier Committee would help ensure a coordinated and comprehensive discussion of autonomous/connected vehicles, truck parking, hours of service, enforcement, motor carrier registration, revenue, and the wide range of other commercial motor carrier operations and activities.

A Motor Carrier Committee within MAASTO would require that committee membership extend beyond state departments of transportation. This would accommodate states in which motor vehicle enforcement is part of a public safety department, or commercial motor carrier fees and taxes are part of the department of revenue. Therefore it is recommended that each MAASTO member state identify representation on the committee from their agency, and also from other agencies within their state with responsibility for commercial motor carrier operations and regulations.

The work of the Subcommittee on Highway Transport would continue, and this subcommittee would report to the Motor Carrier Committee. The Strategic Transportation Issues Committee (STIC), the Chief Engineers Committee and the Planning Committee with the Mid-America Freight Coalition reporting to it would remain unchanged.

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