

Port Performance Freight Statistics Working Group: Meeting Agenda

U.S. Department of Transportation
Conference Center
Oklahoma City Room
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Friday, November 18, 2016

Note: All sessions are open to members of the public who have registered with BTS on or before November 14, 2016 (see BTS contact information at end of agenda)

9:00 AM—Welcome and Port Performance Freight Statistics Program Updates

Pat Hu, Director

Bureau of Transportation Statistics

U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research & Technology

- Welcome to participants
- Updates on Port Performance Freight Statistics Program and First Annual Report

9:10 AM—Overview of Agenda, Working Group Activities and Recommendations

Tom Wakeman, Working Group Chair

Research Professor, Stevens Institute of Technology

Rebecca Yackley, Working Group Vice Chair

International Trade Specialist, St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation

- Summary of agenda and meeting objectives
- Review and approval of October 21 meeting minutes
- Overview of GAO-17-23 Report - *West Coast Ports: Better Supply Chain Information Could Improve DOT's Freight Efforts* (October 2016)
- Overview of draft Working Group recommendations

9:30 AM—Review and Vote on Recommendations (Tom Wakeman, moderator)

- Working Group members will review, discuss, and vote on the draft final recommendations.

10:30 AM—Break

10:45 AM— Continue to Review and Vote on Recommendations (Tom Wakeman, moderator)

- Working Group members will continue to review, discuss, and vote on the draft final recommendations.

11:30 PM—Lunch (for purchase)

Cafeteria

12:45 PM—Discuss Working Group Future and Next Steps (Tom Wakeman, moderator)

- Working Group members will discuss potential next steps for the group (e.g., whether the group should continue to meet after submitting its recommendations to BTS in December 2016, topics for further exploration/analysis).

2:15 PM—Break

2:30 PM—Public Comments

It may be necessary to limit the amount of time allocated for verbal statements from the public and/or the number of individuals that may speak. Therefore, we encourage members of the public to submit written statements to portstatistics@dot.gov. *Comments should be received by November 14, 2016.*

2:45 PM—Recap

Tom Wakeman, Working Group Chair
Research Professor, Stevens Institute of Technology

Rebecca Yackley, Working Group Vice Chair
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Anne Aylward, Director
Volpe National Transportation Systems Center
U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research & Technology

3:00 PM—Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Rolf Schmitt, Deputy Director
Bureau of Transportation Statistics
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Submitting Written Comments to the Working Group

Persons who wish to submit written comments may send them by email to portstatistics@dot.gov or by mail to Matthew Chambers, Designated Federal Officer, Port Performance Freight Statistics Working Group, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Room # E32-342, Washington, DC 20590. Comments should be received by November 14, 2016.