



## Northeast Diesel Collaborative 2015 Partners Meeting

October 26-28

Providence Marriott Downtown--1 Orms Street, Providence, Rhode Island, 02904

### **PROGRAM AGENDA**

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2015**

**6:30 PM– 8:00 PM Welcoming Reception**

*Enjoy light refreshments and a cash bar while speaking with vendors and other participants in the Marquis Room.*

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2015**

**7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Breakfast and Registration**

*Continental breakfast and registration in the technology exhibit hall.*

**Master of Ceremonies: *Alycia Gilde*, Northeast Regional Director, CALSTART  
Chair, NEDC Strategic Planning Committee**

**8:30 AM – 9:00 AM City of Providence Welcomes NEDC Partners:**

**Striving for Sustainable Transportation in Our City, State and Region**

*Hear from Rhode Island leadership on what it means to move a region toward sustainable transportation and the importance of strategic partnerships, innovative technologies, funding and accountability.*

- ***Janet Coit***, Director of Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
- ***Jorge Elorza***, Mayor of Providence, Rhode Island

**9:00 AM – 9:15 AM Remarks from the EPA Regional Administrator:**

**The Significance of Collaboration for a Cleaner, More Efficient Northeast**

- ***Curt Spalding***, Regional Administrator, U.S. EPA Region 1

**9:15 AM – 10:15 AM Setting the Stage:**

**Leadership Presents Key Successes & Opportunities for the East Coast**

*NEDC leaders provide an overview of the goals and objectives of the 2015 NEDC Partners Meeting. As the Collaborative seeks to address diesel emission reductions through smart and innovative clean air strategies, it asks: What are the salient issues facing the region's air quality? What are examples of successful programs and partnerships that are leading our region forward? This agenda-setting session will address critical barriers facing the Northeast around increased freight movement/congestion and clean technology adoption*

and will highlight opportunities for improved regional coordination, policy and technologies.

Panel Introduced by NEDC Strategic Planning Chairs:

**Alycia Gilde**, Northeast Regional Director, CALSTART

**Susan McSherry**, Program Manager, Alternative Fuels Program, New York City Department of Transportation

- [Karl Simon, Director, Transportation and Climate Division, Office of Transportation & Air Quality, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency](#)
- [James Jack, Executive Director, Coalition for Responsible Transportation](#)
- [Geoffrey Sunshine, Senior Scientist, Health Effects Institute](#)

**10:15 AM – 10:45 AM Networking Break in the Technology Exhibit Hall**

Provided by Silver Sponsors: HDR, HUG Engineering, and XL Hybrids

**10:45 AM – 12:00 PM Federal Policies – Meeting Compliance with Cleaner, High-Efficiency Technologies**

Federal government and industry leaders provide an update on new rules and regulations for transportation, air quality and climate change. How will Phase 2 rules impact the development of high-efficiency medium to heavy-duty vehicle technologies? What is the status of the North American Emission Control Area (ECA)? How are engine manufacturers meeting Tier 4 standards for off-road equipment?

Panel Leader: **Bill Van Amburg**, Senior Vice President, CALSTART

- **Matthew Spears**, Center Director, HD Diesel Standards, U.S. EPA
- [Mike Rochford, Global Director for Regulations for Emission Reductions, Caterpillar](#)
- [Guiselle Aldrete, Air Quality Consultant, Starcrest Consulting Group, LLC](#)
- [Christina Wolfe, Manager, Air Quality, Port and Freight Facilities, Environmental Defense Fund](#)

**12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Luncheon Keynote Address – Promoting Clean Transportation Policy and Technology Advancement in New York City’s Urban Environment**

Luncheon provided by Gold Sponsor: Milton CAT

- [Michael Replege, Deputy Commissioner for Policy, New York City Department of Transportation](#)

**1:30 PM – 3:00 PM NEDC Industry Partners Present:  
Optimizing Regional Coordination and Efficiency to Improve the Movement of Goods & People – Solutions for a Sustainable Transportation Network**

Regional transportation leaders share their experiences and perspectives on how to promote a sustainable transportation network through effective coordination, innovative planning and clean technologies. Presentations will highlight the importance of partnerships, smart strategic planning, funding, emission reduction goals and business best practices.

**Panel Session 1:**

*Panel Leader: [Anne Aylward](#), Deputy Director of Research, Volpe National Transportation Systems Center*

**Accommodating Increased Cargo at the Ports: Smart Strategies to Improve Freight Movement and Emission Reductions**

- [Jim Pelliccio](#), Chief Executive Officer and President, Port Newark Container Terminal and President of East Coast Operations, Ports America
- [Renee Moilanen](#), Manager of Air Quality, Port of Long Beach

**Expansion of Northeast Rail Lines and Local Impact on Communities: How to Promote Smarter Freight Connections, Strategic Partnerships & Cleaner Technologies**

- [Don Graab](#), Vice President Mechanical, Norfolk Southern
- [Ron O'Blenis](#), Rail Planner for HDR

**3:00 PM – 3:30 PM**

**Networking Break in the Technology Exhibit Hall**

*Provided by Silver Sponsors: Cummins, Effenco and Global Environmental Products*

**3:30 PM – 5:00 PM**

**Panel Session 2:**

*Panel Leader: [Ezra Finkin](#), Director, Policy and External Relations, Diesel Technology Forum*

**Moving People and Product with High Efficiency Vehicles and Smart Business Strategies**

- [William Wolfgang](#), Director of Vehicle Engineering, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority
- [Mike Derrig](#), Fleet Director, Fresh Direct, LLC

**Building a More Robust Northeast Transportation Infrastructure with Clean Construction and Off Road Equipment**

- [Leah Pilconis](#), Senior Environmental Advisor to The Associated General Contractors of America
- [Dorian Bailey](#), Senior Environmental Project Manager/Senior Environmental Chemist, The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey

**5:00 PM – 5:15 PM**

**Day 1 Program Wrap-Up**

**6:30 PM – 8:30 PM**

**NEDC Partners Reception & Breathe Easy Leadership Awards Ceremony  
Reception Hosted by BAE Systems**

*Join us for an evening recognizing the achievements and leadership of NEDC Stakeholders. BAE Systems will first provide a presentation and video of its Hybridrive Marine Hybrid Technology. Following, NEDC leadership will present awards to this year's 2015 Breathe Easy Leadership Award recipients. Don't miss this wonderful networking opportunity and enjoy the delicious food and beverages.*

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2015**

**7:30 AM – 8:15 AM**

**Breakfast with Technology Vendors in the Exhibit Hall**

- 8:15 AM – 8:20 AM**      **Day 2 - Welcome Back**  
*Day 2 focuses on the latest technologies and infrastructure needed for the “Road Ahead.” Through active engagement, discussion and takeaways, NEDC Partners will help define recommendations and solutions for the Collaborative going forward.*
- 8:20 AM – 8:50 AM**      **Morning Keynote Address – The Way Forward: Promoting Green Highways and Building a Robust Economy through Policy and Advanced Technologies**
- **Raymond H. “Ray” LaHood**, U.S. Secretary of Transportation (2009-2013)
- 8:50 AM – 10:15 AM**      **NEDC “Tech Talks” – Manufacturers Present on “NEW” Clean Transportation Technologies that are Leading the Nation Forward through Higher Efficiency and Greater Emission Reductions**  
*During NEDC “Tech Talks,” technology manufacturers of on-road and off-road technologies present on the benefits of all-electric, hybrid and alternative fuel vehicles and equipment that are key to higher efficiency, reduced fuel consumption and emission reductions.*
- Panel Leader: **Wayne Clark**, Industry & Government Affairs Manager, Milton CAT
- [John Hroncich](#), Senior Market Analyst, BAE Systems
  - [Mike Rochford](#), Director of Emissions Regulations & Conformance, Caterpillar
  - [Edward Lovelace](#), Ph.D., Chief Technology Officer, XL Hybrids
  - [Benoit Lacroix](#), Ph.D., Co-Founder, Vice President of Sales & Marketing, Effenco
  - [John Macaluso](#), Business Development, Hug Engineering
- 10:15 AM – 10:30 AM**      **Fuel Up! – Quick Coffee Break in the Technology Exhibit Hall**
- 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM**      **CLEAN CORRIDOR CONGRESS: Building Our Freight Transportation Infrastructure to Accommodate Alternative Fuels and Idle Reduction in the Northeast**  
*It is time for NEDC Partners to ‘roll up their sleeves’ and get to work on the region’s critical transportation and air quality priorities. During this 90 minute segment, NEDC will host its very first CLEAN CORRIDOR CONGRESS. Panel Leaders will facilitate an engaging discussion with participants on the resources, partners, policies, technologies and strategies needed to connect people and freight more efficiently in the northeast. The development of clean corridors along our region’s busiest roadways and ports will allow for the adoption of advanced vehicle and transportation technologies. Through active cross-cutting engagement, NEDC Partners will work together to identify solutions to move our region toward a sustainable freight transportation network.*
- Panel Leader: **Bill Van Amburg**, Senior Vice President, CALSTART
- **William “Bill” McDonald**, Deputy Director, North Atlantic Gateway Office, U.S. Department of Transportation Maritime Administration (MARAD)
  - **Michael Scarpino**, Transportation Project Engineer, VOLPE Center
  - **George Schoener**, Executive Director, I-95 Corridor Coalition
  - **Chuck Feinberg**, Chairman and DOE Coordinator, New Jersey Clean Cities Coalition and Executive Vice President of Greener by Design
  - **Gerry Bogacz**, Planning Director, New York Metropolitan Transportation Council
- 12:00 PM**                      **Meeting Adjourns**