



MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee Meeting December 6-7, 2007

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee (MCSAC) met on December 6-7, 2007, at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Washington, DC. In accordance with the provisions of Public Law 92-463, the meeting was open to the public. Mr. Larry Minor served as the Designated Federal Official (DFO) and called the meeting to order on December 7, 2007, at 1:00 pm. Ms. Pamela Pelcovits served as the DFO on December 7, 2007.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

John Bauer, Director of Transportation, Kohl's Corporation
Clyde Hart, Senior Vice President of Government Affairs, American Bus Association
Michael Irwin, Director, Michigan Center for Truck Safety
Terry Maple, Assistant Superintendent, Kansas Highway Patrol
David Osiecki, Vice President for Safety, Security and Operations, American Trucking Associations
Stephen Owings, President, Road Safe America
David Parker, Senior Legal Counsel, Great West Casualty Company
Robert Petrancosta, Vice President of Safety, Con Way Freight
Robert Powers, Captain, Michigan State Police
Karen Sain, New Entrant Safety Auditor, North Carolina Highway Patrol
Lester Sokolowski, Director of Division Services, National Safety Council
J. Todd Spencer, Executive Vice President, Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association
Judith Stone, President/Executive Director, Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety
Roger Vanderpool, Director, Arizona Department of Public Safety

FMCSA REPRESENTATIVES:

Jesse Fonner, Program Specialist, Strategic Planning and Program Evaluation Division
Michael Griffith, Director, Office of Research and Analysis
Amy Houser, General Engineer, Technology Division
Emily Kaplan, Transportation Specialist, Strategic Planning and Program Evaluation Division
Karen Lynch, Management and Program Analyst, Strategic Planning and Program Evaluation Division
Gary Middleton, Management and Program Analyst, Strategic Planning and Program Evaluation Division
Larry Minor, Associate Administrator for Policy and Program Development
Greg Parks, Acting Division Chief, Strategic Planning and Program Evaluation Division
Pamela Pelcovits, Office Director, Policy Plans and Regulation
Jeff Secrist, Division Chief, Technology Division
Scott Valentine, Management and Program Analyst, Strategic Planning and Program Evaluation Division

OTHERS PRESENT FOR ALL OR PORTIONS OF THE MEETING WERE:

Deborah Bruce, National Transportation Safety Board
Warren Dunham, Warren B. Dunham Associates, LC
Phil Hanley, Consolidated Safety Services
Eric Ickes, Arizona Department of Public Safety
Maureen MacDonald, National Transportation Safety Board
Rafael Marshall, National Transportation Safety Board
Bruce McMillan, Trac Lease, Incorporated
Julie Perrot, National Transportation Safety Board



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Elizabeth Turner, Volpe National Transportation Systems Center
 Brad Watkins, Consolidated Safety Services

REVIEW OF AGENDA

The Committee reviewed the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Committee approved the minutes of the September 2007 Committee meeting.

MCSAC MEETINGS

The Committee agreed to hold the March 2008 and June 2008 meetings in Washington, DC, so the Committee could fully utilize FMCSA's technical staff while working on the reauthorization tasking. The Chair asked the Committee to consider adding an additional day to the March 2008 and June 2008 meetings to work on the reauthorization tasking.

PRESENTATIONS

Captain Daniel D. Meyer of the Kansas Highway Patrol provided the Committee with an overview of the Trucks on Patrol for Safety (TOPS) program.

Mr. J. Greg Parks provided the Committee with a presentation on reauthorization.

WORKGROUP REPORTS

Workgroup 07-02 (Commercial Motor Vehicle Non-Regulatory Safety Practices) presented the Committee with a report on commercial motor vehicle non-regulatory safety practices. The Committee approved the report for submission to the FMCSA Administrator.

Workgroup 07-04 (Safety Technologies) presented the Committee with a report on safety technologies. The Committee returned the report to the workgroup for further review.

TASKING

The Committee accepted Task Statement 08-01, Federal Surface Transportation Reauthorization, and created a workgroup of the whole Committee and three sub-workgroups to address the tasking. The DFO approved the members to the workgroups as follows:

Workgroup 08-01	Workgroup 08-01A	Workgroup 08-01B	Workgroup 08-01B
John Bauer Michael Greene Clyde Hart Michael Irwin Terry Maple David Osiecki Stephen Owings David Parker Robert Petrancosta Robert Powers Karen Sain Lester Sokolowski J. Todd Spencer Judith Stone Roger Vanderpool	Terry Maple, Chair Clyde Hart Michael Irwin David Parker Lester Sokolowski <i>FMCSA Technical Representative: Emily Kaplan</i>	Judith Stone, Chair J. Todd Spencer Michael Greene Robert Petrancosta Robert Powers <i>FMCSA Technical Representative: Scott Valentine</i>	David Osiecki, Chair John Bauer Roger Vanderpool Stephen Owings Karen Sain <i>FMCSA Technical Representative: Gary Middleton</i>



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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by the DFO at 5:00 pm on December 7, 2007.

CERTIFICATION

The minutes were approved by the MCSAC on March 12, 2008.

We hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge, the foregoing minutes are accurate and complete.

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David R. Parker
Chair
Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee

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Larry W. Minor
Designated Federal Official
Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee