

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2003 10AM

Coffee was available at 9:30AM, and a light lunch was served following the meeting.

Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission

8th Floor—Main Conference Room The Bourse Building, 111 South Independence Mall East, Philadelphia, PA 19106

1. Call to order

Co-chairs John Brown of PENNDOT (substituting for Sharon Daboin) and John Coscia of DVRPC called the meeting to order. All Task Force members and guests were recognized and the April 16, 2003 meeting notes were approved. (Note: PowerPoint presentations made during the meeting are posted on the freight page of the DVRPC web site.)

2. Freight Planning For Columbus, Ohio

Erika Witzke of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) highlighted the freight planning efforts of the Columbus, Ohio MPO. Ms. Wizke was part of a seven member team from Columbus which visited DVRPC for an exchange of ideas, information, and experiences on MPO freight planning. The Peer-to-Peer program was made possible through the FHWA's Metropolitan Capacity Building initiative.

3. **Domestic Intermodal Growth: Intermodal Trailers vs. Domestic Containers**Eric Moffett gave an overview of the domestic intermodal market, and discussed emerging trends and consequences for the Pennsylvania market. Mr. Moffett manages the Vermont Railway's domestic intermodal fleet business unit comprised of over \$25 million in assets.

4. Planning for Freight at the Maritime Administration (MARAD)

Richard Walker, Director of the Office of Intermodal Development, reviewed MARAD's freight programs and provided an update on TEA-21 reauthorization. Mr. Walker is primarily charged with the promotion of improved development and utilization of marine-related intermodal transportation systems and technology.

5. United States Coast Guard Initiatives in the Delaware Valley

The Captain of the Port of Philadelphia, Jonathan Sarubbi, provided an overview of the new role of the Coast Guard in the Department of Homeland Security. Captain Sarubbi assumed his duties as Commanding Officer of Marine Safety Office/Group Philadelphia in June, 2002.

6. Two-minute Reports

Task Force and Subcommittee chairs and Task Force members and guests provided the following updates on the activities of their companies and agencies.

John Brown and Lugene Bastian, PENNDOT RFAP; Capital Budget; Required 4 Year Plan;

IMC Course: July 28-30; STC hearing: Sept. 26; Octoraro rail line; Operation Lifesaver

Eric Powers and John Powers, NJ DOT State Freight Plan; MAROPS report

John Coscia, DVRPC Annual Dinner; CMAQ projects; Pennsylvania

Annual Rail Freight Seminar; NARC annual

meeting presentation

Rick Crawford, Data Subcommittee BTS report; AASHTO report; Freight Lines;

TravelSmart

Kel MacKavangh, Planning Sub.

ASLRRA Annual Meeting and Awards

Ted Dahlburg, Shippers Sub.

October 8 Chamber Meeting

Jeff Sutch and Jim Niness Intermodal initiatives

Spencer Stevens, FHWA Freight materials; Talking Freight series

Ted Dahlburg South Jersey PIDN study

Don Shanis Goods Movement Task Force Representative

for the Regional Transportation Committee

7. Old and New Business

The next scheduled meeting of the Goods Movement Task Force is **October 8, 2003**. This meeting will be conducted at the offices of the **Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce**. Due to limited space, attendees must pre-register by contacting **Kathy Belmonte** of DVRPC (215.238.2862). The meeting was adjourned.

AttendeesAffiliationBastian, LugenePENNDOTBelmonte, KathyDVRPCBlanchard, RoyBlanchard Co.

Boylan, James Tyburn Railroad Co.

Brown, Greg PENNDOT Brown, John PENNDOT

Campbell, David Delaware Transit Corp.

Catania, Paul RELTEK Clemons, Tashia FHWA Coscia, John DVRPC

Coyle, Gerard Evans Delivery Co.
Crawford, Rick Norfolk Southern Corp.
Cuccia, Brian New Jersey DOT

Dahlburg, Russ Retired
Dahlburg, Ted DVRPC

DelSignore, Paul Bergmann Assoc.

DeYoung, Larry

Dietrich, Matt

Duffy, Ed

Stone Consulting and Design
Ohio Rail Development Comm.
PIDC, Food Distribution Center

Fear, Gina The Pasha Group

Fiscina, Carmine FHWA

Fisher, Kevin Nexus Distribution Corp. Fisk, Steve Canadian Pacific Railway

Foley, Terry Amtrak Gad, Suzann Ohio DOT

Gemma, Tony Roadway Express

Hanssens, John Philadelphia International Airport

Hayes, Linda DRPA
Heinzelmann, Ray DRPA
Henderson, Ed PRPA
Hirsch, Jeff SAIC

Holt, Tom Greenwich Terminal

Jalosinski, Shawn Phila. Sports Complex District

Keffler, Pat U.S. Coast Guard Kirkpatrick, Michael Delaware DOT Lee, Esther Volpe Center

Lehmann, Miles PRPA
Luxenberg, Steve WILMAPCO

MacKavanagh, Kelvin
May, Jeff
Urban Engineers
McCreavy, John
SMS Rail Lines
Vermont Railway

Morlok, Ed University of Pennsylvania Mulvenna, Micky Army Corps of Engineers Nemeroff, Rian Housatonic Railroad Niness, Jim Quality Distribution

O'Brien, Dominic PRPA O'Malley, Steve SAIC

Powers, Eric New Jersey DOT Powers, John New Jersey DOT

Reeves, Mike SJTPO

Runk, Jim Pennsylvania Motor Truck Assoc. Sabatino, Patrick Lehigh Valley Rail Management

Sarubbi, Captain Jonathan U.S. Coast Guard

Shanis, Donald DVRPC

Simpson, Sonja Village of Obetz, Ohio

Smoker, Matt FHWA Stevens, Spencer FHWA

Sutch, Jeff SMS Rail Lines
Taggart, Glenn Lancaster County
Thomas, Carol Burlington County

Tiley, Dennis PENNDOT

Turcich, Jim Philadelphia Belt Line Railroad

Vilain, Pierre Econsult Corp.

Volk, Herman N.J. Office of Smart Growth

Walker, Richard MARAD

Weilbacher, Leslie Greater Columbus Chamber Weiner, Harvey Dependable Distribution

Winkler, Fred Winchester and Western Railroad

Witzke, Erika MORPC

Young, Susan Delaware County TMA Zakutny, John The Pasha Group

Zito, Joseph DRPA