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REMINDER

Registration is now open, the only way to register is ONLINE FOR THE MEETING the link is:

<https://newma.ncwm.net/meetings/interim/registration> This is a very easy process and you have 2 options on how to pay with your Credit Card or by mailing a check, just follow the website it will guide you. If you are paying with a check as soon as you register you will receive by email your confirmation and invoice. For this meeting the Registration Fee amount will be \$ 85.00 in advance online or \$125.00 after October 23, 2017.

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Events

2017 NEWMA Interim Meeting

October 24 - 26

Portland, Maine

Deadline for proposals: October 10, 2017

Hotel Accommodations

Hyatt Place Portland Old Port

433 Fore Street

Portland, ME 04101

P. (207) 775 - 1000

Reservations

Online Reservations: [CLICK HERE](#)

Phone Reservations: (518) 584-4550

Room Rate: \$103.00/per night + tax

Group Code: G-NWMA

Early Bird Reservation Deadline: September 25, 2017

Parking Indoor (7-foot height restriction)

Valet - \$22.00/ Day

Self-Parking - \$20.00/ Day

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DATES TO REMEMBER

2018 NEWMA Annual Meeting

May 7 - 10

Saratoga Springs, New York

ACCOMMODATIONS

Holiday Inn Saratoga Springs

232 Broadway

Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

P. 518-584-4550

Reservations

Online Hotel Reservations:

Room Rate: \$124.00

Group Code: WM5

Early Bird Reservation Deadline: April 5, 2018

NCWM Interim Meeting 2018

January 21 - 24, 2018

Sirata Beach Resort & Conference Center

5300 Gulf Boulevard

St. Pete Beach, FL 33706

P. (727) 363-5100

The cut-off date for reservations is **January 4, 2018**

Room Rate: \$133.00 + tax

103rd NCWM Annual Meeting 2018

July 15 - 19, 2018

Hyatt Regency Tulsa Hotel

100 East 2nd Street

Tulsa, OK 74103

P. (918) 234-1234

The cut-off date for reservations is **June 22, 2018**

For online reservations: [CLICK HERE](#)

For phoned-in reservations: Call 918-582-9000

Room Rate: \$89.00 + tax

Group Code: NCWM

2017 NEWMA Interim Meeting

Schedule Of Events

OCTOBER 24 thru OCTOBER 26, 2017

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

1:00 p.m. Call to Order and Introductions

John McGuire, State of New Jersey – NEWMA Chair

1:15 p.m. Training on Fundamental Considerations of Standing Committee

James Cassidy, City of Cambridge, MA

3:00 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. L & R Committee Open Hearing

Chair, Lou Sakin, Towns of Hopkinton/Northbridge

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

9:00 a.m. L & R Committee Open Hearing (cont'd)
Chair, Lou Sakin, Towns of Hopkinton/Northbridge

10:45 a.m. S&T Committee Open Hearing
Chair, Brad Bachelder, State of Maine

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:15 p.m. S&T Committee Open Hearing
Chair, Brad Bachelder, State of Maine

3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. Professional Development Open Hearing
Chair, Mark Paquette, State of Vermont

4:00 p.m. BOD and NTEP Open Hearing
Steve Giguere – State of Maine
James Cassidy, City of Cambridge, MA

6:00 p.m. Adjourn

Thursday, October 26, 2017

9:00 a.m. Business Meeting

Secretaries Report / Treasurers Report

James Cassidy, City of Cambridge, MA

New Business Open discussion

2018-19 Meeting Schedules Updates

10:30 a.m. Final Committee Reports

12:00 p.m. Adjourn

102nd MEETING OF THE NCWM
LAW AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS
AND VOTING SUMMARY

Louis H. Sakin, NEWMA Representative to L&R Committee

The NCWM L&R Committee had a lengthy agenda for consideration during the Open Hearings with much discussion and debate on many of the items. NEWMA was fortunate to have all of its L&R Committee members present during these proceedings. Ethan Bogren of Westchester County New York, L&R At-large Member was selected to be the new L&R Chair for 2017-2018. Details on each agenda item can be found on the NCWM website under the Publication 16 link.

The following items were approved on the Consent Agenda during the voting session:

NIST HANDBOOK 130 - UNIFORM REGULATION FOR THE METHOD OF SALE OF COMMODITIES

2302-8 Section 2.23 Animal Bedding

2302-9 Section 2.XX Transmission Fluid [see related item 2307-1]

2307-1 Sections 2.14 and 3.14 Transmission Fluid [see related item 2302-9]

2500-1 Clean up of many NCWM policy, interpretations and guidelines

NIST HANDBOOK 133

2600-1 Section 1.2.1 and 3.10 Mulch and Soil.

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AND VOTING SUMMARY (cont'd)

The next groups of items were approved individually during the L&R voting session:

NIST HANDBOOK 130

2302-2 Section 1.12 Ready to Eat Food

2302-6 Section 2.17 Precious Metals

NIST HANDBOOK 133

2600-4 Section 4.5 Polyethylene Sheeting Bags and Liners

Items 2302-7 and 2307-2 concerning oxygenate blends and ethanol flex fuels were removed from the voting agenda by the L&R Committee and returned to FALS for further action and will remain Information items until the 2018 NCWM Interim Meeting. Item 2302-1 concerning food and non-food products did not receive sufficient votes to pass and was returned to the L&R Committee. Item 2302-5 polyethylene bags was downgraded during committee deliberation from Voting to Informational to allow more work to be completed. It did not affect the NIST Handbook 133 item on method of testing which did pass.

Other items contained in the Publication 16 Agenda which were Informational, Developing or Withdrawn did not change status. Items which did not pass during the voting session or were removed from the voting agenda as well as items which are Informational or Developing will carry over to the fall 2017 regional meetings and appear in the NCWM Publication 15 for the 2018 Interim meeting.

NEWMA Specifications and Tolerances Committee
2017 Interim Meeting

In this year's Interim Meeting the stage is set with several important new and returning topics that will undoubtedly promote active discussion. There are currently 28 New Items on the agenda with most of them in separate related groups. Ten New Items (New Item 6 through New Item 15) are related and pertain to transfer and testing standards. These Items would add new definitions and terms to NIST handbooks.

NEWMA Specifications and Tolerances Committee 2017 Interim Meeting (cont'd)

Another New Item (New 21) is certainly desirable as it helps to combat the theft of credit card numbers. In recent years the number of credit card skimming devices has drastically increased and while it is agreed that a code to bolster security measures is a necessity, there is some discussion on exactly where the code belongs.

There has been a lot of debate during the past couple years on Developing batch items 3100-1, 3200-5 and 3600-2. These items have been refined and attendees can expect to be part of quality discussion on the topic. Attendees will also be in the best position to keep up with item 3200-3 which will have a presence in the day to day business of consumers.

Committee members include Chair, Brad Bachelder (Maine Department of Agriculture), member Jim McEnerney (Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection), associate member Kevin Mikoski (Irving Oil), and the Committee is happy to welcome member Jim Willis (New York State).

Members of the NEWMA S&T Committee hope that you will join them for the discussion of New Items and of those carrying over from the July NCWM Meeting.

2017 NEWMA Interim Meeting Professional Development Committee

Marc Paquette, NEWMA PDC Chair, Vermont

The work of the PDC is designed to assist regulators and industry in professional development and training. The committee has also done significant work with Safety Awareness. The committee continues to actively solicit ideas and feedback from members on these topics on an ongoing basis.

4100-1 Professional Certification Program

Professional Certifications are now available in six areas covering (in order of deployment): Retail Motor Fuel Devices, Small Capacity Scales Class III, Package Checking – Basic, Medium Capacity Scales, Large Capacity Scales, and Vehicle-Tank Meters. Priorities have been set to complete LPG Meters and Price Verification next.

2017 NEWMA Interim Meeting Professional Development Committee (cont'd)

4100-2 I Training

During and following the 2017 Annual Meeting, Mrs. Butcher (NIST OWM) provided the following courses planned for the coming year. Make certain to periodically check OWM's "Calendar of Events" for any changes.

<https://www.nist.gov/pml/weights-and-measures/about-owm/calendar-events>

Packaging & Price Verification

NIST HB 133 –Checking the Net Contents of Packaged Goods, Basic:

- October 23-27, 2017 – Sonoma, CA
- November 27-28, 2017 – Gaithersburg, MD (Industry Only)
- February 5-8, 2018 – San Diego, CA
- March 26-29, 2018 – Lebanon, MO
- April 16-19, 2018 – Montgomery, AL
- May 14-17, 2018 – Pompano Beach, FL

NIST HB 130 - Packaging & Labeling

- September 25-28, 2017 – Burnsville, MN
- March 12-15, 2018 – Orange County, CA
- June 5-7, 2018 – Cleveland, OH

Price Verification

- October 10-11, 2017 – Little Rock, AR - SWMA Annual Meeting

Laboratory Metrology

Fundamentals of Metrology

- December 4-8, 2017 – Gaithersburg, MD

Mass Metrology Seminar

- October 23-November 3, 2017

Advanced Mass Seminar

- August 21-31, 2017 – Gaithersburg, MD

Balance & Scale Calibration & Uncertainties

(User Uncertainties

- January 9-12, 2018 – Gaithersburg, MD

Webinars – August 2017 through October 2018

- Multiple webinars are being offered; see OWM Calendar of Events for a complete listing with dates.

2017 NEWMA Interim Meeting Professional Development Committee (cont'd)

Regional Measurement Assurance Programs

- Northeast Measurement Assurance Program September 18-21, 2017 Charleston, W.V.
- Southwestern Assurance Program (SWAP) October 2-5, 2017 Topeka, KS
- Mid-America Measurement Assurance Program (MidMAP) Oct. 16-19, 2017 Lansing MI

Weighing and Measuring Devices

Compressed Natural Gas Metering Systems

- Spring 2018 – Sacramento, CA

LPG Liquid-Measuring Systems

- Spring 2018 – Sacramento, CA
- June 11-15, 2018 - OH

Retail Motor-Fuel Dispensers

- October 23-26, 2017 – Harrisburg, PA - PA W&M Association

Livestock and Animal Scales

- September 26-28, 2017 – WWMA Annual Meeting - AZ

4100-3 Instructor Improvement

The OWM continues to work on formalizing the NIST Trainer Program. At the 2017 Annual Meeting, Mrs. Butcher updated the Committee on progress on "Instructor Improvement" in the NIST Trainer Program.

4100-4 I Recommended Topics for Conference Training

The Board of Directors has charged the Committee with recommending appropriate topics for the technical sessions at future annual meetings. The following were presented at this year's 2017 annual meeting:

- Planning and Coordinating a National Market Place Survey (Ms. Rachelle Miller, WI 2017);
- The Life Cycle of Petroleum from Well to Retail (Mr. Prentiss Searles, API 2017);

2017 NEWMA Interim Meeting Professional Development Committee (cont'd)

4200-1 Safety Awareness

One of the goals of the PDC is to educate jurisdictions on safety issues and to provide resources to help them implement effective safety and health management programs. Ms. Julie Quinn (MN), PDC Safety Liaison, presented a report on the results of the 2017 safety survey (from 2016 incidents), The top three causes of lost or restricted time for the second year in a row were:

- **Lifting/twisting/bending 54.5% - 6 incidents**
- **Slips/trips/falls 18.2% - 2 incidents**
- **Vehicle accidents 18.2%, 2 incidents**

WELCOME

Welcome to our new committee chairpersons and members.

Mark Parquette - State of Vermont - PDC Chair

Bradford Bachelder- State of Maine – S&T Chair

Jim Willis – New York – S&T Committee Member

Angel Nazario – City of Boston

CONGRATULATIONS

At the 102nd NCWM Annual Meeting our fellow NEWMA member James Cassidy of the City of Cambridge Weights and Measures Department was named Chairman of the NCWM.

Thank you Jimmy for your hard work and efforts in the field of weights and measures.