



## MAINTENANCE & TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL

### 1. Welcome

Mr. Randy Porter Fleet Maintenance Supervisor for McKee Foods Transportation, LLC and Vice-Chairman of the Maintenance and Technology Council of the Arkansas Trucking Association standing in for Chairman Brent Hilton, called the 79<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Arkansas Trucking Association's Maintenance and Technology Council to order. Vice-Chairman Porter reminded everyone that this is their council and encouraged the involvement of everyone and hoped that all in attendance took away some benefit for the time they invested.

### 2. Housekeeping

Vice-Chairman Porter pointed out some housekeeping measures which included:

- Emergency Exits.
- This is an informal meeting format; feel free to use the facilities as needed.
- Out of courtesy to others, please turn off your cell phones and pagers or put on silent, if you need to make a call, please step out of the room.
- Robert's Rules of Order, as revised will govern our proceedings.
- There is a sign in sheet on each table, please make sure that you all sign the sheet.

### 3. Announcements

Vice-Chairman Porter made the following announcements about upcoming events:

#### I. 2012 Annual Business Conference and Vendor Showcase

Date: May 16-18, 2012

Location: Embassy Suites Hotel and Convention Center, Hot Springs, AR

#### II. 2012 Arkansas Trucking Championship

Date: June 7-9, 2012

Location: John Q. Hammons Convention Center, Rogers, AR

It gives me great pleasure to also announce that we will be having another Trailer Championship again this year.

\*Please budget to support by sponsorship or registering drivers and technicians.

#### III. Technician Training Fair

Date: June 7, 2012

Location: John Q. Hammons Convention Center, Rogers, AR

The Training Fair will be held again at 4:30 P.M. on the day before the Technician Championship.

#### IV. Registration

You can find registration forms for these events, including Sponsorship and Hotel at [arkansastrucking.com](http://arkansastrucking.com). If you have any questions you may also call the ATA office at 501-372-3462.

#### **4. Future MTC meetings**

Vice-Chairman Porter informed everyone that there would not be any Maintenance and Technology Council Meetings held in May or June due to Arkansas Trucking Association events. Our next MTC meeting will be held in July at Maverick Transportation at which time we will be doing a roadside inspection overview.

#### **5. Safety message**

Vice-Chairman Porter stated: In the tradition of our first Chairman Mr. Carl Tapp, we like to begin each meeting with a short safety message. Today I have a Safety Slogan, "Don't learn safety by accident". I recently sat down with our safety superintendant and looked at safety incidents. It is truly remarkable how simply watching out for each other affects the numbers and the lives of our team. The smallest incident can dramatically affect a team member as well as the bottom line.

#### **6. Introductions**

Vice-Chairman Porter introduced himself and invited the rest of us to start our introductions by going around the room and having each person stand and give their name and affiliation.

#### **7. Reading of the minutes of the last meeting dated**

Vice-Chairman Porter informed everyone that the minutes from our last meeting have been published on our web site and asked for a motion from the floor to waive the reading of those minutes and approve them as written. The motion was granted, seconded, unopposed, and passed unanimously.

#### **8. New Business/Old Business**

Old business brought up for discussion.

None.

New business brought up for discussion.

None.

#### **9. Acknowledge Presenter(s)**

Vice-Chairman Porter informed everyone that after lunch we would hear a presentation from Mike Niemeyer of Pressure Systems International on how proper tire inflation can benefit your operation.

Vice-Chairman Porter took a moment to thank Rob Nissen and SAF Holland for presenting at our March Meeting in Little Rock.

#### **Business Meeting Adjourned**

Due to the conclusion of our business, Vice-Chairman Porter asked for a motion from the floor to adjourn the business meeting. The motion was granted, seconded, unopposed, and passed unanimously.

#### **Presentation**

Vice-Chairman Porter introduced Mike Niemeyer Director of Fleet Sales for North, Central, and now South America for Pressure Systems International. Mike has been with PSI for 15 years and in the industry for 35 years; he is also a graduate of Kansas State University with a B. S. in Political Science.

**Q&A**

Question. What amount of air pressure loss does it take to indicate there is an inflation problem?

Answer. Mike Niemeyer of Pressure Systems International: The fleet sets the parameters i.e. 5 cfm of air being transferred, which is being electronically sensed to indicate when there is a problem.

**Meeting Adjourned**