



THE IFTA NEWS

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TAX RATE CHANGES

Listed below are the Tax Rate **Changes** for **2nd Quarter 2008**. Only those jurisdictions which have changes are listed, along with the fuel type that has changed. The deadline for changes is June 2 at midnight.

	Gas	Diesel	Gasohol	Prop	LNG	CNG	Ethanol	Methanol	E85	M85	A55	BioD
ID **												
MA				.2970	.2970	.2970						
ME												.2880
MN	.2200	.2200	.2200	.1650	.1320	.2200	.2200	.2200	.1562	.1254	.2200	.2200

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ID: ** FUEL PURCHASED ON IDAHO INDIAN RESERVATIONS

As of November 1, 2007, diesel purchased from retail outlets on the Shoshone-Bannock Indian Reservation is Idaho tax-paid diesel for IFTA reporting and Idaho fuels tax refund purposes. However, diesel purchased from tribal-owned retail outlets on the Coeur d'Alene and Nez Perce Indian Reservations is not Idaho tax-paid diesel for IFTA reporting and refund purposes. Also, as of March 1, 2005 all gasoline purchased from tribal-owned retail outlets on all Idaho Indian reservations is not Idaho tax paid gasoline and is not eligible for fuels tax refunds. If you have questions, please call toll free 800-972-7660 ext 7601 or 7702.

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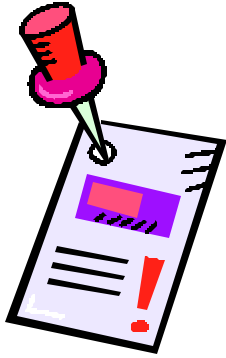
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NOTES FROM THE BOARD



The IFTA, Inc. Board of Trustees (Board) held its Second Quarter 2008 Board Meeting on April 17 - 18. The meeting was held at the IFTA, Inc. offices in Chandler, Arizona. Eight Board members were present. Mr. Gary Bennion (Con-Way Incorporated), IFTA Industry Advisory Committee (IAC) Chair, Mr. Robert Pitcher (ATA), and Mr. Glenn Campbell, IFTA, Inc. Financial Advisor, were also present.

The Board went into closed session for the purpose of discussions with the Financial Advisor. Following this discussion, the meeting was opened and the Board approved the minutes from the First Quarter 2008 Board Meeting as amended. Additionally, the Board approved amended minutes from the First Quarter Board Actions by Email and February 27

Teleconference. Amendments were also recommended to the 2007 IFTA Annual Business Meeting minutes prior to their release to membership for approval at the July 2008 IFTA Annual Business Meeting.

Mr. Jason DeGraf, IFTA, Inc. Information Services Administrator, reported on the activities of the IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse. The funds netting project is underway with four jurisdictions participating in the test. These jurisdictions are KS, ME, MS, and SK. Following the testing period, actual funds transfers will be tested. IFTA, Inc. continues to investigate the concern of insuring accounts above the FDIC rates, Ms. Lonette Turner, IFTA, Inc. Executive Director, explained. The Clearinghouse Advisory Committee (CAC) is also addressing the issue of jurisdictions not funding the accounts on a timely basis. IFTA, Inc. is in the process of working with the CAC to draft regulations and guidelines to assist in this event.

There remains a handful of jurisdictions which have not corrected the surcharge issue. First identified in September 2007, surcharges shown on transmittals have affected major vending and independent reporting systems. The problem doubles the total distance and fuel amounts which resulted in overstated total distance and fuel. IFTA, Inc. has asked the effected jurisdictions to address and amend this issue by 2008.

IFTA, Inc. Webmaster, Mr. Tom King, provided a demonstration of the website. Mr. King reviewed the latest amendments to the site. These changes include, but were not limited to, the 2007 Annual Reports, 2008 ballot proposals, email exchanges with attachments, and additional committees provided on the website.

A teleconference with Ms. Kim Craig (ON), Alternative Fuel Committee (AFC) Chair, was held regarding IFTA Full Track Preliminary Ballot Proposal 7-2008. This Board sponsored ballot addresses the issue of a blended fuels definition and reporting. It is being proposed that the official definition of blended fuel be "a motor fuel that is blended with another type of motor fuel or product; or may be used interchangeably with another type of motor fuel." This definition is a result of the alternative fuels survey issued earlier by the AFC. Ms. Craig will continue to work with the committee to research the history of this ballot proposal and work on a presentation during the Annual Business Meeting to further discuss this issue and ballot proposal.

IFTA, Inc. Events Coordinator, Mrs. Tammy Trinker, provided a meetings update. Attendance at the 2008 IFTA Attorneys' Section Meeting has dropped. The committee intends on discussing future meetings and how best to increase attendance and participation. Additional 2008 meetings were also reviewed. The 2009 Attorneys' Section Meeting is currently being reviewed as to an ideal location for hosting. No contracts have been signed for this meeting at this time. The IFTA Managers' and Law Enforcement Seminar has been contracted with the Sheraton Imperial Hotel and Convention Center in Durham, NC. This seminar will be held September 9 - 11, 2009. Locations for the 2010 IFTA / IRP Audit Workshop are still being considered.

The Board approved the New Member's Guides written by the Audit Committee and the Program Compliance Review Committee.

The 2007 Program Compliance Reviews (PCR) have been completed. The 2008 AL IFTA PCR was scheduled simultaneously with the IRP Peer Review, but the reviews were not combined. It was felt that the auditing side of a combined review is very productive in conducting combined IFTA and IRP reviews. However, the administrative

review remains untested at this time. When the Board meets in October for the Strategic Planning Session, it will consider future combined reviews that would help to better establish the administrative compatibility and direction of the combined reviews. Mr. Edgar Roberts (NV) volunteered the jurisdiction of Nevada to be considered for an early combined review to assist in this process.

The Program Compliance Review Committee (PCRC) is asking for consideration to utilize the IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse for the purpose of conducting reviews. Confidentiality issues remain a concern should this request be approved. The committee has submitted their request to the Clearinghouse Advisory and Attorneys' Section Steering Committees for review and feedback before pursuing.

The PCRC has submitted Consensus Board Interpretation Draft (CBID) 1-2008 for the Boards consideration regarding the definition of a new licensee. It was the position of the Board that P1110.300.025 addresses this specific issue. The issue of the new licensees reported on the Annual Report will be discussed with membership at the Annual Business Meeting in July.

Committee Board Liaisons were then reviewed. The revised assignments were made as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEES		
Agreement Procedures	Audit	Dispute Resolution
Scott Greenawalt (OK), Lead	Scott Bryer (NH), Lead	Bob Turner (MT), Lead
Rena Hussey (VA)	Bob Turner (MT)	Edgar Roberts (NV)
Andrew Foster (NB)		
Industry Advisory	Law Enforcement	Program Compliance Review
Edgar Roberts (NV), Lead	Julian Fitzgerald (NC), Lead	Rena Hussey (VA), Lead
Sheila Rowen (TN)	Scott Greenawalt (OK)	Scott Greenawalt (OK)
	Bob Turner (MT)	

SPECIAL COMMITTEES		
Alternative Fuels	Attorneys Steering Section	Clearinghouse Advisory
Scott Bryer (NH), Lead	Rena Hussey (VA), Lead	Scott Greenawalt (OK), Lead
Sheila Rowen (TN)	Scott Bryer (NH)	
Andrew Foster (NB)		
Information Technology Advisory		
	Scott Bryer (NH), Lead	
	Andrew Foster (NB)	

Additionally, Mr. Foster will serve as the Jurisdictional Board Liaison for the ten (10) Canadian Provinces.

The Industry Advisory Committee (IAC) continues to review its committee charter in regards to term limits for the Steering Committee members. The IAC will continue monitoring issues related to IFTA as well as issues related to CVSA and The US DOT.

The Agreement Procedures (APC) and Law Enforcement Committees (LEC) continue to work on the preliminary agenda for the September 2008 IFTA Managers' and Law Enforcement Seminar. The APC has distributed their Best Practices Guide for comment to membership. A jurisdictional survey was also issued on behalf of the Annual Report Database subcommittee. This purpose of this survey is to establish the important data elements of the Annual Report. The APC also continues to review the Exemption Database. The committee has four vacancies and are looking to secure representatives from the Northeastern, Western, Midwest, and Canadian regions.

The LEC has been working on the Best Practices Guide, a roll off list, and the face-to-face meeting scheduled for April in North Carolina. Additionally, the Jurisdiction Communication List (JCL) law enforcement contacts has been compiled and updated. The committee will be asked to forward this list to IFTA, Inc. to ensure all current contacts have been incorporated into the JCL. The Best Practices Guide submitted by the LEC will be reviewed by IFTA, Inc. and then distributed to the standing committees for their review before releasing to the membership for their commentary.

Mr. Bryer reported on the activities of the Information Technology Advisory Committee (ITAC). A test pilot is being conducted by select member jurisdictions regarding roadside enforcement. Other issues being addressed by ITAC include reviewing informational technology of interest to members as well as NLETS and the ability to distribute data to law enforcement personnel. The ITAC also hopes to recruit jurisdictional representation on the committee.

The Bylaws Review Committee held two teleconference calls since the previous Board Meeting. The committee reviewed the charge assigned previously by the Board. These charges were to review Article Four of the IFTA, Inc. Bylaws concerning the Board. During discussions, the committee identified several issues to be addressed.

- Membership nominations and votes on Board vacancies
- Regional voting for its regional representatives
- Definitive timelines to fill a mid-term vacancy be adopted
- Increasing the number of Board members
- Developing an implementation plan of proposed amendments

Board Liaison Mr. Greenawalt supported the Bylaws Review Committee on their efforts and feels that the committee is headed in the proper direction and has provided a sound conceptual idea that could be supported by membership.

Mr. Roberts was appointed Chair of the 2008 Nomination Committee. Four Board seats are up for election and include the seats of Mr. Bryer, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Turner, and Ms. Sonia Sanders (KY), who recently resigned from the Board. In considering the vacant seat following the resignation of Ms. Sanders, it was the position of the Board to defer a replacement. The three other Board seats are eligible for re-election.

The Strategic Plan was reviewed. The Board approved the New Member Guide of the APC. This approval included the stipulation that the travel data be revised to correspond with that as outlined in the Audit Committee New Member Guide.

Other action items of the Strategic Plan reviewed included the availability of federal funds. IFTA, Inc. continues to work with the FTA regarding the possibility of additional federal funding. The Board subcommittee reviewing the proposal to increase membership dues has determined that a combination of the IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse Access Fee and membership dues would be more beneficial to the organization and its members. A presentation will be provided at the July IFTA Annual Business Meeting regarding the elimination of a separate Access Fee and the fee being absorbed into the IFTA membership dues.

Minor revisions were offered by the Board to the 2007 IFTA Annual Business Meeting minutes. The minutes will be distributed to membership prior to the 2008 IFTA ABM for approval. The Board then reviewed the current seven (7) full track ballot proposals submitted for 2008. These ballot proposals are available for commentary on the IFTA, Inc. website. The first comment period ends May 23, 2008.

The Late returns on transmittals project was then discussed. The Board reviewed reports run from the Clearinghouse that focused on both a simple return period as well as a multiple returns period. The analysis showed findings relating to the 4Q06. During an in-depth review of the VA report, it was noted that less than 1% of their actual 4Q06 returns were late without justification while a majority of the late returns found had viable reasons for not being timely. The Board will continue to review the reports run against their own jurisdictions and provide a more detailed analysis similar to that run by VA. The Board will review the project data once the reviews of their own report data has been completed.

Ms. Turner presented the IFTA, Inc. financial report. IFTA, Inc. continues to remain financially stable. The Board also discussed the concern of the IFTA decals presented by Illinois. It was noted that the decal specifications recommending the performance life of the decal was inconsistent. While the recommendation listed under the required elements and color specify an 18 month period for performance, the clear coating and fabrication section recommended a one year period. After some discussion, the Board moved that the 2010 IFTA decal specifications be revised to reference a standard of 18 months in all sections.

Following the conclusion of the open discussions, the Board then went into closed session for the purpose of personnel and other related matters. During this session, the Board moved to approve the FY 08/09 budget as proposed. Concluding all business discussions, the Board then adjourned the 2Q08 Board Meeting.

Committee & Meeting Minutes & Materials

IFTA, Inc. has been expanding the resources for information and data to be available to membership. One of the means being utilized is the posting of all IFTA Standing Committee teleconference minutes as well as the materials presented during the yearly meetings. Those committees currently sharing the minutes of their teleconferences include:

- o Agreement Procedures Committee
- o Audit Committee
- o Industry Advisory Committee
- o Law Enforcement Committee
- o Bylaws Review Committee
- o Clearinghouse Advisory Committee
- o Information Technology Advisory Committee

Additionally, IFTA, Inc. provides meeting presentations for download from the website. All publicly shared data resulting from the 2008 IFTA / IRP Audit Workshop have been posted under the "Meetings Materials" tab. The final meeting agenda from the 2008 IFTA Attorneys' Section Meeting has also been posted to the website. If you are interested in obtaining any data not currently released on the website, please contact the appropriate IFTA committee for assistance.



ITAC Members We Still Need You....

Information Technology Advisory Committee (ITAC)

The Information Technology Advisory Committee (ITAC) welcomes its newest member Adrian Hughes (MS). The Committee continues its recruiting efforts. Don't let the name of the committee fool you into thinking that your background needs to be of a technical nature to be on this committee. We are looking for members of IFTA who have ideas for projects the committee can work on that will make it easier and/or improve how people do their jobs.

If you or someone in your jurisdiction is interested in being considered for this committee please submit their name (s) to me.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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Dispute Update

The May dispute docket has been posted to the IFTA, Inc. website.



2008

FTA Annual Meeting
June 8-11, 2008
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

AAMVA Region II Conference
June 8-12, 2008
Hilton Head Island, So Carolina

AAMVA Region IV Conference
June 16-19, 2008
Indian Wells, California

FTA Southern Region Motor Fuel Meeting
June 22-24, 2008
Shepherdstown, West Virginia

SEATA
July 13-16, 2008
Williamsburg, Virginia

IFTA Annual Business Meeting
July 18-19, 2008
New Orleans, Louisiana

AAMVA Region I Conference
July 24-29, 2008
Quebec City, Quebec

MSATA
August 17-19, 2008
Madison, Wisconsin

AAMVA Annual Int'l Conference
August 24-27, 2008
Orlando, Florida

WSATA
September 14-17, 2007
Whitefish, Montana

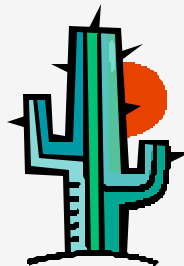
IFTA Managers Workshop/
Law Enforcement Seminar
September 17-19, 2008
Mesa, Arizona

UPCOMING MEETINGS

NESTOA
September 21-24, 2008
Newport, Rhode Island

IRP Annual Meeting
October 2-6, 2008
Kansas City, Missouri

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting
October 22-24, 2008
Chandler, Arizona



2009

IFTA/IRP Audit Workshop
January 4-8, 2009
Tempe, Arizona

AAMVA Board of Directors
January 9-10, 2009
Chandler, Arizona

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting
January 22-23, 2009
Chandler, Arizona

IRP, Inc. Board Meeting
January 22-23, 2009
Chandler, Arizona

IRP Managers/Supervisors Workshop
March 28-30, 2009
St. Louis, Missouri

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting
April 23-24, 2009
Chandler, Arizona

AAMVA Region II Conference
June 7-11, 2009
Little Rock, Arkansas

IFTA Annual Business Meeting
July 16-17, 2009
Manchester, New Hampshire

AAMVA Region I Conference
July 16-21, 2009
Boston, Massachusetts

AAMVA Annual Int'l Conference
August 23-26, 2009
San Diego, California

IFTA Managers'/Law Enforcement Seminar
September 9-11, 2009
Durham, North Carolina

IRP Annual Meeting
September 10-14, 2009
Tucson, Arizona

IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting
October 22-23, 2009
Chandler, Arizona

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