

CONNECT presents the 13th Annual Northeast Trade & Transportation Conference 2009

At the historic Hotel Viking, Newport, Rhode Island ~ March 18-20, 2009
(Enhanced Program with last year's pricing!)

WEDNESDAY MARCH 18, 2009

Registration starts at 12:30pm / Afternoon Session begins at 1:30 pm

Welcome & Opening Remarks ~ 1:30 pm

Luiz da Costa Wednesday Conference Chair &
CONNECT Director; Genzyme Corporation

Export Panels ~ 1:45 - 3:40 pm

Challenges Navigating the Trade Risk Minefield

Overview of N.E. Exports & Available Resources

Paula Murphy Director, Massachusetts Export Center

TSA Screening Program Updates

Moderator & CONNECT Director:

Robert Shepard International Forest Products

Panel Speakers:

Douglas Brittin Air Cargo Manager, TSA

Brandon Fried Director, Air Forwarders Assoc.

Michael Whitley Air Cargo Security Alliance

*Turbulence Ahead: Air Cargo in the Era of Increased
Security and Regulations*

Export Compliance & Export Risk Management

Moderator & CONNECT Director:

Rick Bridges Roanoke Trade Services

Panel Speakers:

Roland Shrull Partner, Middleton & Shrull

Dan Moore Sr. VP Finance & Operations,
International Forest Products Corporation

*AES & CBP Enforcement, China New Advance Data Requirements,
Export Credit & Insurance Risks*

"Off the Record" ~ 4:00 - 5:30p.m.

Peter Friedmann CONNECT Counsel, FBB Federal Relations

*Candid discussion of current trade, legislative and CBP issues for T&T
attendees, together with CONNECT attorneys. No press or
government officials please*

Welcome to Newport Cocktail Reception ~ 6:00-7:00p.m.

THURSDAY MARCH 19, 2009

Registration: 8:00 a.m.

Welcome & Opening Remarks ~ 8:30a.m.

Karen Kenney CONNECT President; Liberty International

Thursday Conference Chair & CONNECT Director

Christine Lanoue Talbots Imports, LLC

Customs & Border Protection Panel ~ 8:45-10:15a.m.

Moderator & CONNECT Director

Bob Kenneally CH Powell Company

Panel Speakers:

Thomas Winkowski Ass't Commissioner, Field Operations, CBP

Mary Jo Muoio Senior V.P., Barthco Trade Services / OHL,
President NCBFAA, Member of COAC

Cindy Allen Managing Director, NCBFAA
Educational Institute & Chairman,
Automation Subcommittee

*10+2; CPSC; Lacey Act; ACE "Big Splash" drop;
CBP's 5-year Trade Strategy*

Customs Attorney Panel ~ 10:30a.m - 12:00p.m.

Moderator:

David Katzman CONNECT Director & Treasurer; CH Powell

Panel Speakers:

Robert Silverman Grunfeld, Desiderio, et al LLC

Barbara Dawley CONNECT Director; Meeks, Sheppard, et al
Joan Koenig Drinker, Biddle & Reath LLP

Luncheon Program & Keynote Address ~ 12:15 p.m.

Keynote Speaker

Tay Yoshitani CEO, Port of Seattle

*Sustainability and How Ports are
Managing in a Difficult Economy*

CONNECT Scholarship Awards:

Bob Leadbetter CONNECT Director & Scholarship Chair

Retail Logistics in the Changing Global

Marketplace ~ 2:30-4:00p.m.

Moderators:

Peter Leach Journal of Commerce, Senior Editor

Alison Leavitt CONNECT Maine State Chair; Albatrans, Inc

Panel Speakers:

Deep R. Parekh Partner, Equus Group LLC

David Bovet Partner, Norbridge, Inc.

Trevor LaChapelle Vice President, BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc.

*Retail industry insiders will discuss the impact of the current retail
environment on logistics, pricing, inventory costs and cargo volumes*

Global Economic Review ~ 4:15 - 5:15p.m.

Patrick Newport U.S. Economist, Director of Long-Term
Forecasting, Global Insight

Gala Dinner at Ocean Cliff ~ 6:30 - 9:30p.m.

FRIDAY MARCH 20, 2009

Registration starts at 8:00a.m.

Opening Remarks ~ 8:45a.m.

Friday's Conference Chairs:

Andrew Rosener CONECT Director; Christmas Tree Shops
James Mitchell CONECT Director; OOCL (USA) Inc.

Keynote Speaker ~ 9:00a.m.

Intro By:

Peter Friedmann CONECT Counsel;
FBB Federal Relations

Mortimer L. Downey III Team Leader, Obama Transition
Transportation, Former Deputy
Secretary, USDOT

*The urgent need for transportation policy: What we can
expect under President Obama*

Transportation & Logistics Overview ~ 9:30-11:00a.m.

Moderators:

George Lauriat American Journal of Transportation,
Editor-in-Chief

Matt Maznicki CONECT Director; End 2 End Supply
Chain Solutions, LLC

Panel Speakers:

Rick Wen V.P. Business Development,
Orient Overseas Container Line (USA)

Global economic downturn's impact on liner shipping, an overview

David McLaughlin Area Director, Roadlink U.S.A.

Trends in the Trucking Industry

Economic impact of TWIC & West Coast initiatives

Janet Flores Senior V.P., Sales, NFI Industries

*Warehousing & Distribution Trends: Geographical shift of distribution
centers, Outsourcing trends and pricing issues in the
current economy.*

Supply Chain Trends ~ 11:30 - 1:00p.m.

Moderator:

Bob Leadbetter CONECT Director; The Robert Allen
Group

Speakers:

Phil Trabulsi Sr. Director of Engineering,
Ceva Logistics

Packaging and cube optimization

Patrick St. Laurent Global Leader, Expeditors Network
Solutions

End to End supply chain solutions

John Urban President, GT Nexus

The impact software has on the supply chain

Wrap Up Luncheon ~ 1:05p.m.

Peter Friedmann CONECT Counsel,
FBB Federal Relations

*"What the Press Isn't Reporting: The Real Impact of the New Congress
and President on Trade and Transportation"*

Closing Remarks & Grand Prize Drawing

Conference Registration Options

CONFERENCE PACKAGE 1

**BEST
VALUE!**

Includes:

- Wednesday conference session
- "Welcome to Newport" cocktail reception
- All day Thursday sessions (breakfast & lunch)
- Gala Cocktail Reception & Dinner at OceanCliff
- All day Friday sessions (breakfast & lunch)
- Grand prize drawings (Must be present to win)

Cost: \$595.00 member \$795.00 non-member

CONFERENCE PACKAGE 2

Includes:

- Wednesday conference sessions
- Welcome to Newport cocktail reception

Cost: \$150.00 member / \$225.00 non-member

CONFERENCE PACKAGE 3

Includes:

- Thursday conference sessions (breakfast & lunch)
- Gala Cocktail Reception & Dinner at OceanCliff
- Thursday Grand Prize drawing

Cost: \$395.00 member / \$525.00 non-member

CONFERENCE PACKAGE 4

Includes:

- Friday conference sessions (breakfast & lunch)
- Friday grand prize drawing

Cost: \$230.00 member / \$330.00 non-member

CONFERENCE PACKAGE 5

Includes:

- Thursday night Gala Cocktail Reception & Dinner at OceanCliff
- Friday conference sessions (breakfast & lunch)
- Friday grand prize drawing

Cost: \$375.00 member / \$500.00 non-member

Sponsorships still available!

Contact Stefanie Jessiman at the CONECT office for details

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Wednesday, March 18
Thursday, March 19
Friday, March 20

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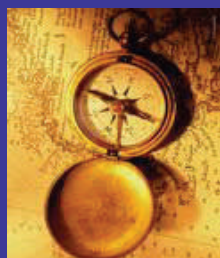


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Economic Review

- Retailer updates
- Market Trends & Long-Term Forecasting
- Global Economic Downturn
- Ports' Economic Problems

Regulatory Issues

- Export/Import Compliance
- "10 + 2" & China's "10+2"
- AES & CBP Enforcement
- TSA 100% cargo screening
- Lacey Act
- Consumer Product Safety
- China's 24 Hour Rule

Legislative Updates

- Looming Trade & Transportation Taxes
- Obama's Transportation Policies
- China Trade Restrictions
- Free Trade Agreements

Supply Chain Round Up

- New Cargo Fees
- Green Environment
- Union Issues
- Pricing / Service Trends / Real Estate
- Sustainability
- Liner shipping forecast
- Outsourcing

Who should attend?

- Importers/Exporters
- Brokers/Forwarders
- Service Providers
- Attorneys & Insurers
- Government Officials
- Port Authorities

Gala Dinner
Thursday 3/19 at the
legendary Newport
Mansion "OceanCliff"

Keynote Speakers:

Thursday
Tay Yoshitani
CEO, Port of Seattle

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**Friday**  
**Mortimer L. Downey III**  
Team Leader, Obama  
Transition Transportation,  
Former Deputy Secretary,  
USDOT

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