## Meeting of the National Grain Car Council

Thursday, September 12, 2013 Westin Crown Center One East Pershing Road Kansas City, Missouri 64108

## **AGENDA**

1:00 pm\*

- 1. Welcome and Safety
  - Safety Briefing by Vice-Chair Mike Bilovesky
  - Co-Chairs Brad Hildebrand and Ann Begeman
  - Robert R. Petersen, President TEGMA
- 2. Remarks
  - The Honorable Daniel Elliott, STB Chairman
  - The Honorable Frank Mulvey, STB Commissioner
- 3. New Member and Member Introductions
  - Fred Forstall New Members and Substitutes
  - Current Members self introductions
- 4. Adoption of 2012 Minutes
- 5. Financial Report Mark Van Cleave, Secretary/Treasurer
- 6. Discussion of procedures for election of NGCC officers
- 7. Rail Carrier Reports and Discussion 2013 Fall Harvest
  - Market, Service and Issues
  - Velocity
  - Equipment Availability
  - Rail/Shipper issues and problems
- 8. Shipper Reports and Discussion
  - Market, Service and Issues
  - Demand for grain cars
  - Equipment Availability
  - Rail/Shipper issues and problems
- 9. Manufacturers/Lessors Report
  - Fleet size
  - Leasing Availability
  - Building estimates
  - Building/supply issues

2:45 pm

Break

3:00 pm

- 10. Maintaining a Track Record of Success, Expanding Rail Infrastructure to Accommodate Growth in Agriculture and Other Sectors Mike Steenhoek, Executive Director, Soy Transportation Coalition
- 11. Rail Time Indicators Update Dan Keen, Association of American Railroads
- 12. Nominations of NGCC officers
- 13. Open Forum
- 14. Closing Remarks

5:00 pm

Adjourn

<sup>\*</sup>Start time is tentative based on arrival of out-of-town members and guests.