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Freight Movement Task Force

Mark your calendars—our next Freight Movement Task Force meeting will take place August 17, 2006. Watch out for agenda and location details in future *Maryland Moves: A Freight News Monthly*.

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U.S. Dept of Transportation Secretary Mineta Resigns

Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta, who has served longer than anyone now in the Cabinet, announced June 23, 2006 that he was resigning, effective July 7. Mr. Mineta led his department through the crisis of the terrorist hijackings of Sept. 11, 2001, and the creation of the Transportation Security Administration. He also helped lay the groundwork for privatizing highways and other transportation assets.

Two goals that he did not achieve were restructuring Amtrak and allowing more foreign investment in United States airlines. His proposal to allow foreign owners to acquire control of American air carriers was defeated in the House a few weeks ago.

In a letter to President Bush, Mr. Mineta did not give a reason for leaving now, saying only, "It is time for me to move on to other challenges."

Mineta's Letter of Resignation to President Bush

BMC Truck Parking Partnership Study

Baltimore Metropolitan Council's Truck Parking Partnership Study is underway. The study is looking at truck parking issues in the Baltimore region, will identify potential public-private partnerships to address the truck parking shortage, and present recommendations for implementation.

This topic has come up in the news and BMC's Truck Parking Partnership Study was covered by area news outlets such as The Jeffersonian.

06/20/06 By Kim Dorn THE JEFFERSONIAN: *For truckers, no place to park Business forum seeks solution to problem on Interstate 83*

An increase in freight hauling on highways in the Baltimore region has prompted the Baltimore Metropolitan Council to take another look at facilities for truckers in the area, including rest stops along Interstate 83...

Air Cargo Security Requirements

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) recently rolled out its new Air Cargo Security Requirements. The regulation imposes a series of new restrictions on the air cargo industry, including its shippers. It calls for worker background checks, strict verification of known customers, meaningful security training and tight security and cargo operations. The TSA held several workgroup sessions with stakeholders for input into the final rule. The rule states that with "[T]he absence of an appropriate targeting methodology and data, requiring inspection of 100 percent of air cargo would severely burden the just-in-time delivery that is currently a key competitive feature of many U.S. manufacturing and distribution industries." This rule set the standard for the secure handling and shipping of air cargo around the world.

Freight Movement Task Force staff has taken steps to integrate air freight issues into future meeting agendas and the regional transportation planning process.

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CSCMP-Baltimore Roundtable

The Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals-Baltimore Roundtable will meet next on July 11, 2006 in Hunt Valley. Exact location and agenda TBD.

At CSCMP-Baltimore Roundtable's May Cabinet meeting, a new slate of Cabinet members were elected. Jocelyn Jones of the Federal Highway Administration follows Mary Jane Norris of the Maryland Port Administration as President of the CSCMP-Baltimore Roundtable.

Mark your calendars. Meeting dates for future CSCMP-Baltimore Roundtable meeting are:

• September 12, 2006 • October 10, 2006 • November 14, 2006 • January 9, 2007 • March 13, 2007 • April 10, 2007 • May 8, 2007

For more information about the upcoming meeting and to be on the mailing list contact Adam Burke at adamburke@staples.com

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