



May 28, 2025

Join us for Capitol Hill Lobby Day on Credit Card Fees Next Monday and Tuesday

Credit card fees are an ever-increasing cost concern for petroleum marketers in Virginia and across the nation. Congress needs to address these unjustifiable charges which far exceed the cost of providing the service. Some relief may be in sight, as next week the United States Senate is scheduled to vote on what is commonly known as the “Durbin Amendment” to bring transparency and reduce costs from swipe fees. We have been a member of the Merchants Payments Coalition for many years and they are sponsoring a Capitol Hill Lobbying Day on next Tuesday, June 3. Senators Mark Warner Tim Kaine are key votes on this legislation and we hope to meet with them Tuesday. Because this vote has just been scheduled for next week, some of the details are still to be worked out, but here is the tentative agenda:

NACS will reimburse one person per company for a roundtrip economy airfare (or train ticket or personal mileage) and one night of lodging (check-in June 2, check-out June 3). A tentative schedule is below:

Monday, June 2:

TBD – Reception with NACS members, Location: TBD

Tuesday, June 3:

7:30am – Breakfast, Location: TBD

7:45-8:45am – Briefing session, talking points, review of collateral material, Location: TBD

9am-5pm – Meetings with Lawmakers on Capitol Hill, Location: Capitol Hill

Here's the link to

register: <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/02fbbb617b13496ca39886eda14af470>

Your participation is encouraged. If you will be attending, please let me know by emailing mike@vpcma.com.

NACS Lobby Day Travel Registration

Thank You EMA PAC Contributors

Earlier this month we initiated our solicitation for contributions to the Energy Marketers Association (EMA) of America's Political Action Committee. As a VPCMA member, you are automatically a member of EMA which lobbies Congress and interacts with many regulatory agencies that impact the nation's fuel marketers. An important component of that representation is supporting those elected officials who support us on Capitol Hill. Federal political contributions must be made by **personal check**. We hope that you will join us in sending a check for \$150 made out to "**EMA PAC**." Please mail to the office as follows:

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Save the Date!

VPCMA 77th Annual Meeting
September 28-30, 2025
The Williamsburg Lodge
Colonial Williamsburg, VA

Registration and other details available late June!

Sincerely,

Mike O'Connor
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