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70th Anniversary Celebration in Key Largo a Success

Another VPCGA anniversary destination meeting in the books and a wonderful time was had by all. Thank you to our presenters: Christopher Terry from Federated Insurance, Steve Uphoff from Uphoff Ventures and Dion Fuels, and Rob Underwood from PMAA. The Ocean Reef Club provided both a spectacular setting and great weather for this event. We want to congratulate Madison Pollard of J.M. Pollard & Sons and Brook Myers on their engagement which happened at the resort...our first for a VPCGA event. Best of luck to you guys!

Thank you to all who participated and we look forward to celebrating many more VPCGA Anniversaries with you! View pictures from the event on our [Facebook page](#).

FMCSA Grants Fuel Haulers 30-Minute Rest Break Exemption

From NATSO

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration granted truck drivers hauling petroleum products a five-year exemption from the 30-minute rest break requirement.

Effective April 9, under certain conditions, fuel haulers can operate for 12 hours without triggering the rest break requirement. Federal regulations typically require a 30-minute rest break for drivers after they reach eight consecutive hours.

FMCSA said it granted the exemption, which is in effect until April 10, 2023, because fuel haulers "receive several short breaks each day when they unload."

The National Tank Truck Carriers (NTTC) and the Trucking Association of Massachusetts (TAM) in 2017 applied for the exemption for drivers who would be on-duty more than 12 hours provided their vehicles were carrying petroleum products and were equipped with an electronic logging device (ELD).

FMCSA said it found that the level of safety achieved by the industry operating under the

terms and conditions of the exemption would be equal to, or greater than, the level of safety that would be achieved if the drivers were required to take the rest break. "These drivers receive several short 'breaks' each day when they unload product at service stations," FMCSA wrote.

[Read the Federal Register notice here.](#)

Reserve Your Booth Now for the 2019 Really Big Expo

Please make plans now to be a part of the 2019 SE Petro-Food Marketing Expo! The dates at Myrtle Beach are March 6-7, 2019. All space is selling very quickly and we don't want you to miss out! Here is a link to the floorplan as well as a link to booth sales. If you exhibited this year, you should have received an email with your renewal code as well. Let us know if you have any questions. We certainly hope to have you with us again for the largest regional c-store/petroleum expo in the nation!

For more information contact Sharon Vinson svinson@ncpcm.org.

Floorplan

https://sepetro19.mapyourshow.com/7_0/exhview/index.cfm

Booth Sales

<http://sepetro19.exh.mapyourshow.com/boothsales> Booking Code: d5jJQ4GQ

Welcome New Member

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Petroleum Marketer

Position Sought

Convenience store industry veteran has recently re-located to Northern Virginia and is

seeking part time/consulting work within the industry. Particular expertise with in-house food service design and implementation. For resume and contact information, [click here](#).

Save the Date!

70th Annual Meeting - September 30-October 2, 2018

The Greenbrier Resort

White Sulphur Springs, WV