
Virginia Petroleum Convenience and Grocery Association

update

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Williamsburg Lodge Deadline 1 Week Away

Next Wednesday, August 31 is the last day to reserve your room at the Williamsburg Lodge for the 2016 Annual Meeting at the group rate of \$186 (Lodge) or \$385 (Inn). After that date rooms, if available, may be at a higher rate. You may register with the [hotel by clicking here](#), and with [VPCGA by clicking here](#).

This year's meeting will include programs we have just added. Many political experts have said that this year's first presidential debate may well be the most viewed program in television history. In light of that we will be hosting a VPCGA Debate Watch party from 9-11pm featuring our next president along with drinks, snacks and prizes. This event will be sponsored by our industry partners. Earlier Monday after our opening session speakers, we will have two issue group meetings - one for motor fuels/c-stores and another for heating fuels. The purpose of these meetings is to identify emerging issues and to discuss how your association can best address them proactively.

The 2016 Annual Meeting will combine some of our traditional elements with exciting new features. It promises to be two days of education and information with opportunity for industry colleagues to network in a more informal setting. If you have not already make plans to attend please do so before the hotel cut-off next Wednesday, December 31

Catterton Memorial Golf Tournament Sponsorships Available

We are accepting applications for sponsorships at the Catterton Memorial Golf Tournament being held September 26 at The Golden Horseshoe Green Course during the 68th Annual Meeting at the Williamsburg Lodge. Sponsorships vary from tournament sponsors to various types of hole sponsorships. For more information and/or a form, [click here](#).

IRS Field Inspectors Looking for Dispenser Labeling Violations

From PMAA

PMAA is continuing to receive calls about IRS enforcement of dispenser labeling requirements. IRS fines for incorrect or missing labels are significant. The IRS requires all dyed diesel and dyed kerosene dispensers to have a specific label indicating that the fuel is for nontaxable use only. The labeling requirement has been in place for dyed diesel dispensers since 1993 and for dyed and clear kerosene dispensers since 1998. The IRS has recently stepped up enforcement of the dispenser label requirements nationwide. Please note that the EPA's LSD and ULSD dispenser labels - which also provide notice on nontaxable uses of these fuels - are NOT a replacement for the IRS labels. Both the IRS and EPA labels are required despite their apparent redundancy.

The following IRS labels must be posted on any retail dispenser or other delivery facility (skid tank, consumer dispensers at bulk plants or card locks) where dyed diesel fuel and/or dyed kerosene are dispensed for use by a purchaser/consumer:

"DYED DIESEL FUEL, NONTAXABLE USE ONLY, PENALTY FOR TAXABLE USE" or

"DYED KEROSENE, NONTAXABLE USE ONLY, PENALTY FOR TAXABLE USE".

In addition, the following label must be posted on all blocked pumps that sell clear, untaxed kerosene:

"UNDYED UNTAXED KEROSENE, NONTAXABLE USE ONLY".

The labels must be affixed to the dispenser in a conspicuous place within easy sight of the person dispensing the fuel either on the face of the dispenser (on both sides) or on the side of the dispenser just above the nozzle housing.

U.S. DOT and State Motor Carrier Authorities to Conduct National Roadside Truck Brake Inspection Blitz, September 11-17, 2016

From PMAA

Truck Brake Safety Enforcement -The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) in partnership with the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) will conduct a nationwide roadside inspection blitz in September focusing on commercial motor vehicle (CMV) brake systems. CVSA is made up of federal, state and local law enforcement agencies nationwide. The enforcement blitz is set for the week of September 11-17, 2016. Law enforcement agencies across the U.S. will conduct roadside inspections on large trucks and buses to identify out-of-adjustment brakes, brake-system and anti-lock braking system (ABS) violations as part of the CVSA's Brake Safety Week, an annual outreach and enforcement

campaign designed to improve commercial motor vehicle (CMV) brake safety.

Truck Brake Maintenance - According to the CVSA, brake systems must be routinely inspected and maintained carefully and consistently so they operate and perform properly throughout the vehicle's life and according to federal safety rules. Improperly installed or poorly maintained brake systems can reduce braking efficiency and increase the stopping distance of trucks and buses. ABS systems help the driver, maintain control in certain braking situations and reduces the risk of crash. Brake-related violations comprised 43% of all out-of-service violations cited during CVSA's annual 2015 RoadCheck enforcement blitz.

Truck Brake Roadside Inspection - Brake Safety Week will include inspection of brake-system components to identify loose or missing parts, air or hydraulic fluid leaks, worn linings, pads, drums or rotors, and other faulty brake-system components. ABS malfunction indicator lamps are also checked. Enforcement authorities will inspect brake components and measure pushrod stroke where applicable. Defective or out-of-adjustment brakes will result in the vehicle being placed out of service. Many inspectors will conduct Level I standard inspection procedures. Description of Level I inspection standards can be downloaded [here](#). Inspectors will use performance based brake testing equipment (PBBT) that measures vehicle braking efficiency. PBBT equipment includes slow speed roller dynamometers that measure total vehicle weight and brake force to determine braking efficiency. A description of PBBT testing can be downloaded [here](#). The minimum braking efficiency for trucks is 43.5 percent, under FMCSA regulations and the CVSA out-of-service criteria.

PMAA PAC Contributions

Thanks to the generosity of many VPCGA members we have reached 94% of our goal for contributions to the PMAA PAC. This is the only time during the year when we solicit the membership for contributions, which benefit members of the Virginia congressional delegation and members of key committees that impact issues important to petroleum marketers. Under federal law federal PAC contributions must be in **personal funds**. If you have not contributed to date, it is not too late. Send your personal check for \$125 made out to "PMAA PAC" and mail to

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