



NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
PUBLIC FORUM AGENDA

TRUCK AND BUS SAFETY: A DECADE OF PROGRESS

MAY 10–11, 2011
NTSB CONFERENCE CENTER
WASHINGTON, DC

Objective ~ To evaluate progress since the 1999–2000 truck and bus safety hearings and to discuss emerging issues related to the safety of heavy vehicles

- TUESDAY MAY 10, 2011 -

Morning Session

8:30 A.M. OPENING REMARKS
THE HONORABLE ROBERT L. SUMWALT

9:00 A.M. CARRIER OVERSIGHT
To examine the determination of carrier fitness, including the new entrant screening process and other Federal, state, and industry oversight initiatives

Bryan Price, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
Steve Keppler, Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance
Rob Abbott, American Trucking Associations
Todd Spencer, Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association
Kenneth Presley, United Motorcoach Association
Norm Littler, American Bus Association

Afternoon Sessions

1:00 P.M. TRUCK OPERATIONS
To discuss electronic onboard recorders, hours of service, safety culture, and vehicle size and weight

Larry Minor, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
Steve Keppler, Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance
Rob Abbott, American Trucking Associations
Todd Spencer, Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association

3:30 P.M.

BUS OPERATIONS

To explore operational and oversight issues unique to the commercial bus industry, with an emphasis on the fast growing intercity bus sector

Robert Miller, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
Steve Keppler, Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance
Michael Jordan, Martz Trailways

- WEDNESDAY MAY 11, 2011 -

Morning Sessions

8:00 A.M.

DRIVER SAFETY

To discuss driver crash risk factors, barriers to making safe choices, and approaches for increasing driver safety

Stephanie Pratt, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
Ron Knipling, Traffic Safety and Human Factors Consultant
Todd Spencer, Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association
Stephen Evans, Bus Industry Safety Council

10:15 A.M.

DRIVER HEALTH

To examine the state of driver health and wellness programs, and the progress toward comprehensive medical oversight for interstate commercial drivers

Mary Gunnels, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
Natalie Hartenbaum, OccuMedix, Inc.
Robert Petrancosta, Con-way Freight

Afternoon Sessions

1:00 P.M.

ENHANCED VEHICLE SAFETY TECHNOLOGY: CRASH AVOIDANCE

To discuss electronic stability control, collision avoidance systems, and emerging crash prevention technologies

Richard Conklin, Bendix
Alan Korn, Meritor WABCO
Dean Newell, Maverick Transportation
Nat Beuse, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

3:15 P.M.

ENHANCED VEHICLE SAFETY TECHNOLOGY: CRASH MITIGATION

To discuss passenger restraints, vehicle crashworthiness, vehicle under-ride, and highway barrier systems

Nick Artimovich, Federal Highway Administration
Louis Molino, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
James Johnson, IMMI
Tim LaFon, Volvo Trucks North America
Matthew Brumelow, Insurance Institute for Highway Safety

5:15 P.M.

CLOSING REMARKS

THE HONORABLE ROBERT L. SUMWALT