



# Description of Events

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## MAY 4 – 7, 2009 • CHICAGO

RAIL TRANSIT SEMINAR, MAY 4 • PRINCIPLES COURSE, MAY 5 • HEAVY HAUL SEMINAR, MAY 6-7



MAY 4, 2009

The 2009 **Rail Transit Seminar** is devoted to examining wheel/rail and vehicle/track interaction on light rail and subway operations. The seminar is designed to promote a more complete understanding of vehicle/track dynamics and wheel/rail interaction.

This cross-disciplinary seminar will include presentations from experts in vehicle/track dynamics, noise and vibration, wheel/rail profile design and maintenance, and friction management. Join a unique group of transit professionals, researchers and suppliers at this seminar to examine recent developments in research and technology, participate in lively discussion and gain a better understanding of the complex interaction unique to the rail transit wheel/rail interface. Special discounts are available for Rail Transit and Railroad employees. Continuing Education/Professional Development credits are offered.



MAY 5, 2009

Designed for both Rail Transit and Heavy Haul seminar attendees, the **Principles Course** is an intensive, full-day course providing in-depth examination of the primary aspects of wheel/rail and vehicle/track interaction. Drawing from both theory and practical application, the course will cover wheel truing strategy, rail metallurgy, ultrasonic testing, thermal rail stresses and more in an energetic classroom environment. Newcomers and seasoned pros will all gain valuable insight into this critical area of wheel/rail interaction. Special discounts are offered for Rail Transit and Railroad employees. Continuing Education/Professional Development credits are available.

The course is designed to promote a more complete understanding of vehicle/track dynamics and wheel/rail interaction. Seminar attendance is not required to attend the course.



MAY 6-7, 2009

Now in its 15th year, the 2009 **Heavy Haul Seminar** is devoted to examining wheel/rail and vehicle/track interaction on heavy haul freight and shared-track passenger systems. We bring together track and mechanical users, researchers and suppliers in a positive, educational setting like no other in the industry.

The latest information on new and existing technology, and the ways in which it is being used to improve wheel/rail interaction on freight and passenger railways will be presented by some of the best minds in railroading. Don't miss this special 15th Anniversary Edition of the longest running wheel/rail interaction seminar in the industry! A combination of world-class seminar sessions, lively panel discussion, and the revolutionary InfoZone make this the "gotta go" event of 2009. Special discounts are available for Rail Transit and Railroad employees. Continuing Education/Professional Development credits are offered.

**Social & Networking Opportunities**

- Welcome Reception - May 3
- Continental Breakfast
- Refreshment Breaks - AM & PM
- Dining Room Luncheon

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- Welcome Reception - May 5
- Continental Breakfast - May 6-7
- Refreshment Breaks - AM & PM
- Dining Room Lunch - May 6-7
- Grand Buffet Reception - May 6
- Prize Drawings and more!



Fax completed form to: 480-247-4682

# Event Registration RAILROAD / TRANSIT **EMPLOYEE**

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**Employee Registration** Use this form if you are directly employed as a **full-time staff member** of a recognized railroad or transit organization and **not a supplier or consultant**. Call Brandon at 847-808-1818 with questions. Pricing includes all sessions, refreshment breaks, lunch and social/networking opportunities.

## Individual Event Pricing for those attendees wishing to attend a single WRI '09 Event

**Rail Transit Seminar** (1 day)  
May 4 - Cost: \$595

**Principles Course** (1 day)  
May 5 - Cost: \$200

**Heavy Haul Seminar** (2 days)  
May 6-7 - Cost: \$695

**1 day of Heavy Haul** (Day 1 or 2 only)  
May 6 or 7 - Cost: \$495

## Combo Event Discounts discounted pricing for those attending more than one WRI '09 Event

**Rail Transit + Principles** (2 Days)  
May 4-5 - Cost: \$596 (SAVE \$199)

**Rail Transit + Principles + 1st Day of Heavy Haul Seminar** (3 Days)  
May 4-6 - Cost: \$1095 (SAVE \$199)

**Rail Transit + Principles + Both Days of Heavy Haul Seminar** (4 Days)  
May 4-7 - Cost: \$1245 (SAVE \$245)

**Heavy Haul (1st Day) + Principles** (2 Days)  
May 5-6 - Cost: \$595 (SAVE \$100)

**Heavy Haul (Both Days) + Principles** (3 Days)  
May 5-7 - Cost: \$696 (SAVE \$199)

**Heavy Haul (Both Days) + Principles + Rail Transit** (4 Days)  
May 4-7 - Cost: \$1245 (SAVE \$245)

## ATTENDEE INFORMATION SECTION I am a full-time Railroad or Transit employee

List all events you will be attending \_\_\_\_\_

\$

TOTAL COST (from list above)

Name (as it will appear on name badge) PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/Organization (Must be a qualifying Railroad or Transit to receive employee pricing) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Provin \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

First-time Attendee  Special Dietary Needs, Explain \_\_\_\_\_

## CREDIT CARD PAYMENT SECTION

Visa  Mastercard  American Express (Please Check one)

Cardholder's Name (print clearly or type) \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Seminar charges will appear on your credit card statement as "Wheel/Rail Seminars"**

**Hotel Reservations:** See the enclosed hotel information. **Refund Policy:** We will refund 70% of registration fee if we receive cancellation by March 9, 2009.



# Hotel Reservation

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## This completed form must be received by April 10, 2009

If you are paying your Room Deposit/Guarantee by check (\$154 payable to Marriott Hotel O'Hare), this form must be mailed.

Mail to: Meeting Solutions  
593 N. Wolf Road  
Wheeling, IL 60090

OR

Fax to: Wheel Rail Seminars  
480-247-4682

\_\_\_\_\_  
First Name (print clearly or type) Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Firm / Organization

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State/Province Zip/Postal Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Fax e-mail

\_\_\_\_\_  
Share with: First Name Last Name

ROOM RATES: Single \$154 (US\$) + 15.4% Tax • Double \$154 (US\$) + 15.4% Tax

ROOM TYPE:

- Single Occupancy/One Person
- Double Occupancy/Two Persons
- Triple Occupancy/Three Persons

SPECIAL REQUESTS:

- King Bed
- Double Room/Two Beds
- Handicap Accessible

\*All rooms are non-smoking

\_\_\_\_\_  
Arrival Day/Date/Time

\_\_\_\_\_  
Departure Day/Date

### DEPOSIT/GUARANTEE SECTION

Each Room must be guaranteed either by credit card or check payable to Marriott Hotel for \$154

- Check  Money Order  Visa  Mastercard  American Express  Discover

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cardholder's Name (type or print clearly) Credit Card Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cardholder's Signature Expiration Date



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## Housing Information

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The Wheel/Rail Seminars' Housing Bureau will handle all room reservation requests. **Do not call the hotel directly.** A hotel reservation form is included with this packet of information. Please fill it out completely. All requests for rooms will be filled in chronological order. It is recommended that you send your hotel reservation request early to guarantee accommodations. To obtain the Wheel/Rail Interaction 2009 Seminar Hotel Rate, **send in your form no later than April 10, 2009.** Do not mail your housing form if you fax it in. Please submit only one room request on each form. If you need to make more than one room reservation, you may make copies of the hotel reservation form. All requests must be processed through the Wheel/Rail Interaction 2009 Housing Bureau by mail, fax or on-line at [www.wheel-rail-seminars.com](http://www.wheel-rail-seminars.com).

### By Mail:

Send a Room Deposit check (\$154 payable to Marriott Hotel O'Hare) or provide credit card information and mail your hotel reservation form along with your seminar registration form to:

Meeting Solutions  
593 N. Wolf Road, Wheeling, IL 60090

### By Fax:

Fax the form with credit card information to Wheel Rail Seminars at: 480-247-4682.

### Room Deposits/Guarantees:

The Marriott Hotel O'Hare requires either a one-night deposit (which is refundable if cancellation is received 48 hours prior to arrival), or a credit card number to guarantee your room. Please indicate on your reservation form which guarantee method you will be using. If you are sending a check, please make it **payable to the Marriott Hotel O'Hare in the amount of \$154 (US\$)** and send to Meeting Solutions at the address above.

### Reservation Confirmation:

You will receive your hotel confirmation directly from the hotel a few weeks before the seminar.

### Changes and Cancellations:

You can change or cancel your reservation with the Wheel/Rail Seminars' Housing Bureau until Friday, May 1, 2009. Beginning on Saturday, May 2, 2009, please contact the hotel directly at 773.693.4444 for changes or cancellations. A 48-hour cancellation notice is required by the hotel to avoid a one-night room and tax charge.

### Shuttle Service:

Airport shuttle service is available to and from the Marriott Hotel O'Hare every 20 minutes. To take the shuttle from O'Hare Airport to Marriott Hotel, follow red arrows on the floor near the baggage claim area to the shuttle center and wait at **Door #2** for the red & white shuttle bus. The ride takes about 10 minutes and makes one stop at the Marriott Suites prior to arriving at the Marriott Hotel O'Hare.

### Parking:

Parking is available at the hotel at their standard parking rates.

# Companies Attending Previous Seminars

A. Stucki Co.	Consolequip	I&M Rail Link
ABC NACO Technologies	Corus America	IEC Holden
AEA Technology Rail	CSX Transportation	Ilex Corp.
Alaska Railroad	Delray Connecting Railroad	Illinois Central Railroad
All Russian Railway Research Institute	Detroit Transportation Corporation	Illinois Commerce Commission
Alpha Gamma Transform	DMJM	Illinois Institute of Technology
ALSTOM Transport Service	Dynamic Engineering	ImageMap
Ameren CIPS	Donald J. Hogan & Co.	Indian Railways Institute
American Association of Railroads	Edmonton Transit	Indiana Harbor Belt
American Steel Foundries	Edwards and Kelcey	Industrial Lubricant
AMISTED Industires International	E.H. Reeves & Associates	Industrial Metrics
AMP Inc.	Electro-Motive, GM of Canada	Jarvis Rail
Amtrak	E/M Corp.	Jesco Resources
Andian Technologies	EJ&E Railway	JITEX
ANECORP	ENSCO	K/M Specialty Systems
APTA	ESCO Equipment Service	Kansas City Southern Railway
Applied Rail Research Technologies	Estonian Railways	Kelsan Technologies
Aries Railroad Technologies	European Rail Research Institute	KLD Labs
Balfour Beatty Rail Maintenance	Eurotunnel	KLS Lubriquip
BART	FAR Technical Services	Kowloon Canton Railway
Battelle	Fletcher Rail Consulting	L.B. Foster Co.
BC Rail	Florida East Coast Railway	LDK Engineering Services
BESCO Ltd.	FRA	Lincoln Industrial
Bi-State Development Agency	Friction Management Systems	Longview Holdings Inc.
BLT Inc.	Full Service Railroad Consulting	Loram
Bombardier	Gannett Fleming Engineers	LosAngeles County Transit
Booz-Allen & Hamilton	Gateway Western Railway	LTK Engineering Services
Burlington Northern Sante Fe	GE Harris Railway Electronics	Lubriquip
CAE Vanguard	GE Transportation Systems	Marsh Technologies
Calgary Transit	GKC Consulting Company	MARTA
CANAC	GM - EMD	Marta/Metroplex
Canadian National Railway	Griffin Canada	MBTA - Boston
Canadian Pacific Railway	Griffin Wheel Company	Memphis Area Transit
Cando Contracting	Hanson-Wilson	METRA
Cedar Rapids & Iowa City	Harris Bank	Metra de Medellin Ltd.
CF&I Steel	Harris Miller Miller & Hanson	Metro-North Railroad
CH&I Technologies	Harsco Track Technologies	METROVIAS S.A.
Chemetron/True Temper	HDR Engineering	Ministry of Railroads - Railway Board
Chicago, Central & Pacific	HNTB	Mitsui & Co. (USA)
Chicago Transit Authority	Hegenscheidt - MFD	M.K. Centennial
Cole, Sherman, & Associates	Herzog Services	Montana Rail Link
Conrail	Holland Company	MOOG Inc.

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MTA - NYC Transit	Railtrack	Trak-Tech Corporation
MUNI	Railway IE Consulting	Tranergy Corporation
MWL Brasil Rodas & Eixos	Railroad Infrastructure Consulting	Transport Canada/Rail Safety
National Research Council Canada	RailWorks RailServices	Tranz Rail Ltd.
National Transportation Safety Board	Rail World	TRI-MET
NDT Technologies	REMSA	Tricon Lubricants
NEWT International	Robert Rand & Associates	Trinity Rail Group
New York Air Brake	RT&S Magazine	TSM Inc.
New York City Transit	Red River Valley & Western RR	TTCI - AAR
NGOLOVAN cc	Rockwood Service Corporation	TTX Company
Norfast Inc./ARRT	SA Rail Commuter Corporation	Tyree Oil
Norfolk Southern Railway	Simmons Boardman Books	UMA Engineering
Norton Company	ROBOLUBE	Union Pacific Railroad
Nortrak	Salient Systems	Union Tank
Objective Engineers	Samsung	UniP Tie Company
OeBB (Austria)	Sharma & Associates	Unit Rail Anchor Company
Omaha Public Power District	Simmons Machine Tool Corporation	University of Illinois at Chicago
OMNI Products	Sims Professional Engineers	University of Manitoba
Oregon Graduate Institute	Sogerrail	URS Corporation
ORGO Thermit, Inc.	Southern California	US Department of Transportation
Pandrol Canada Ltd.	Regional Rail Authority	US DOT/ Volpe Center
Parsons Brinckerhoff	Speno International	Valvoline
PATCO	Sperry Rail Service	Vandhana International
PATransit	Spoornet	VIA Rail Canada
Pennsylvania Steel Technologies	Standard Car Truck	Vigen Trans Tech
Permatrack	Standard Steel	VIPAC Engineers & Scientists
Portec Rail Products	StarTrak	Voestalpine Schienen GmbH
Port Authority of Allegheny County	St. Louis Metrolink	WABCO
Proceco Ltd.	STC - Metrorrey	Wabtec Freight Car Products
Professional Specialties Inc.	STV	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit
Progress Rail Services	Suminkin Co.	Wayside Inspection Devices
Progressive Railroadng	Sumitomo	Western Fuels Association
Progressive Rail Technologies	Superior Graphite	Western Instruments Inc.
QMP Limited	Sydney Steel Corporation	Whitmore Manufacturing
QNS&L Railway	TEC Associates	WHW Marketing
Quebec Cartier Railway	Teknis Electronics	Wilson Ihrig & Associates
Queensland Rail	Terminal RR Association of St. Louis	Wisconsin Central
RAILPRO Group	The Ilex Corporation	WMATA
Railroad Friction Products	Thomas K. Dyer, Inc.	ZefTron
Rail Sciences	Thrall Car Manufacturing	
RAILTECH/BOUDET	Toronto Transit Commission	
RailTex	Track Renewal Engineering	