



NARS 2024 Annual Meeting

April 30 - May 2, 2024

Sheraton Grand Chicago

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024

9:00 AM	Traffic Club of Chicago Golf Outing & Networking Lunch <i>Separate Registration Required</i>	<i>Cog Hill Golf & Country Club</i>
4:00 PM	Registration Opens	<i>Sheraton Promenade West</i>
5:00 PM	WELCOME RECEPTION	<i>Sheraton 1-3</i>

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

7:00 AM	Registration Open	<i>Sheraton Promenade West</i>
7:00 AM	Breakfast	<i>Sheraton 1-3</i>
8:00 AM	Welcome to NARS 2024! <i>John Meyers, NARS President & Director, DM Bowman Company</i>	<i>Sheraton 4 & 5</i>
8:05 AM	Safety Briefing & Anti-Trust Statements <i>Kate Bourgeois, NARS 1st Vice President & President & CEO, Mississippi Export Railroad</i> <i>Janet Gilbert, NARS Board of Directors & Attorney, Fletcher & Sippel</i>	<i>Sheraton 4 & 5</i>
8:10 AM	Fireside Chat Katie Farmer, CEO, BNSF Railway Introduction: Ray Hufnagel, President, Plastic Express	<i>Sheraton 4 & 5</i>
8:50 AM	NARS Scholarship Presentation <i>Torri Stuckey, NARS Treasurer & Scholarship Committee Chairman; Head of Merchandise Sales & Marketing, CSX</i>	<i>Sheraton 4 & 5</i>
9:00 AM	Morning Keynote Jim Vena, CEO, Union Pacific Introduction: Torri Stuckey, Head of Merchandise Sales & Marketing, CSX	<i>Sheraton 4 & 5</i>
9:45 AM	Morning Networking Break	<i>Sheraton 1-3</i>
10:15 AM	CN UPDATE Tracy Robinson, President & CEO, Canadian National Railway Introduction: Kate Bourgeois, President & CEO, Mississippi Export Railroad	<i>Sheraton 4 & 5</i>
11:00 AM	AAR UPDATE Ian Jefferies, President & Chief Executive Officer, Association of American Railroads Introduction: John Meyers, Director, DM Bowman Company	<i>Sheraton 4 & 5</i>
11:45 AM	NARS Awards Presentation <i>John Meyers, NARS President & Awards Committee Chairman; Director, DM Bowman Company</i>	<i>Sheraton 4 & 5</i>
12:00 PM	NARS Luncheon	<i>Sheraton 1-3</i>



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1:30 PM	STB Update Marty Oberman, Chairman, Surface Transportation Board Introduction: John Meyers, Director, DM Bowman Company	Sheraton 4 & 5
2:00 PM	RailPulse, A Conversation David Shannon, Railpulse; Mike McClellan, Norfolk Southern; Rob Zmudka, GATX; Carla Ewing, Watco; Terry McDermott, Bunge Moderator: Anthony Hatch, abh Consulting	Sheraton 4 & 5
2:45 PM	Rail Equipment Update Richard J. Kloster, President, Integrity Rail Partners, Inc. Introduction: Harry Zander, Patriot Rail	Sheraton 4 & 5
3:15 PM	Afternoon Networking Break	Sheraton 1 - 3
3:30 PM	ANALYST UPDATE Anthony Hatch, abh Consulting Introduction: John Meyers, Director, DM Bowman Company	Sheraton 4 & 5
4:15 PM	NARS Nominating Committee Report John Meyers, NARS President & Director, DM Bowman Company	Sheraton 4 & 5
4:45 PM	NARS Reception	Riverwalk Esplanade

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024

8:00 AM	Registration Open	Sheraton Promenade West
8:00 AM	Breakfast	Sheraton Promenade West
8:45 AM	Welcome Back to NARS 2024! John Meyers, NARS 2023-2024 President & Director, DM Bowman Company	Sheraton 4 & 5
8:55 AM	Safety Briefing & Anti-Trust Statements Kate Bourgeois, NARS 1st Vice President & President & CEO, Mississippi Export Railroad Bradon Smith, Attorney, Fletcher & Sippel	Sheraton 4 & 5
9:00 AM	Fireside Chat Arthur Adams, Senior Vice President of Sales and Marketing, CSX Introduction: John Meyers, Director, DM Bowman Company	Sheraton 4 & 5



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9:45 AM	Author Interview William H. Galligan, Author, <i>Vision Accomplished</i> Anthony Hatch, abh Consulting Introduction: Harry Zander, Patriot Rail	Sheraton 4 & 5
10:15 AM	GATX Update Paul Titterton, Executive Vice President & President, Rail North America, GATX, Introduction: Torri Stuckey, Head of Merchandise Sales & Marketing, CSX	Sheraton 4 & 5
11:00 AM	Closing Remarks <i>Kate Bourgeois, Mississippi Export RR, NARS 2024-2025 President</i>	Sheraton 4 & 5