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Media Advisory:
16th National Congress on School Transportation (NCST) “Celebrating 75 Years”
Schedule of Activities Announced

SALT LAKE CITY – NCST Chair, Murrell Martin, announces the compressed schedule for the 16th National Congress on School Transportation. Due to transitions in steering committee members, and a recent change in the NCST chair, a compressed schedule is supplied to lead up to the 16th congress to be held in Warrensburg, Missouri at the University of Central Missouri (UCM) May 15-21, 2015.

NCST Chair, Murrell Martin, expresses appreciation to the excellent twelve-member NCST Steering Committee with representatives from the National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services (NASDPTS), the National Association for Pupil Transportation (NAPT), the National School Transportation Association (NSTA), the School Bus Manufacturers Technical Council (SBMTC), the National Safety Council (School Transportation Section), and The University of Central Missouri.

NCST Chair, and Steering Committee, express appreciation to the well qualified and dedicated individuals who will serve as Committee Chairs. They also express appreciation to many Committee Members, as well as the 350 NCST State Delegates who will prepare and convene at the 16th NCST.

16th NCST Announcements:

1. The NCST website is now hosted on the NASDPTS home page. http://www.nasdpts.org/
2. Each delegate to the congress will receive both a hardcopy and electronic copy of the document of the 2015 National Transportation Specifications & Procedures.

3. Registration will not be available until October of this year.

4. State Delegation Chairperson Selection process should be underway soon.

5. The Chronicling Innovations in School Transportation Committee has been restructured to include the Executive Directors from NASDPTS, NAPT, and NSTA. All three associations will supply the industry with information about committee functions and will work together on processes to chronicle innovations in pupil transportation.

6. A new special committee called “Telling the School Bus Story” has been added to unite the industry in providing different formats for bringing greater public awareness of the great contributions school buses have made to America over the years. The steering committee is accepting nominations for a chair to the committee, and has a desire to open this committee to all interested parties who may contribute in meaningful ways.

Please refer to the NCST web page for more information about the schedule of events leading up to the congress and for contact information for the NCST Steering Committee and Committee Chairs.

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