

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE
ON INTERSTATE MILK SHIPMENTS**

"To Assure the Safest Possible Milk Supply for all the People"

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TO: NCIMS Conference Attendees

FROM: Dr. Stephen Beam, Conference Chairman



SUBJECT: 2015 National Conference on Interstate Milk Shipments

Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend the **35th National Conference on Interstate Milk Shipments scheduled for April 24-29, 2015** at the **Doubletree by Hilton Hotel, Portland, Oregon**. We are looking forward to a Conference agenda that will provide opportunities to deliberate many important issues facing the Grade "A" Milk Program. We hope you plan to attend and assist in the resolution of proposals submitted for consideration.

The Program Committee is planning an educational symposium that will provide information on topics such as: Animal drug residue risk ranking project, Appendix N Committee Update, Overview of FDA's Proposed Nutrition Labeling Changes; and Update on the Food Safety Modernization Act's (FSMA) Implementation.

For the past several Conferences, computers with overhead projection have been used in the General Sessions, and the Council and Delegate voting sessions, to assist conferees in the deliberation of individual proposals. Therefore, all proposals must be submitted electronically using **the electronic form posted on the NCIMS web page (www.ncims.org) that can be downloaded**. Information will be provided on the website and later in this mailing on how to download and complete the proposal submission form. Additional instructions will be included on the proposal form in the proposed solution section directing how to identify added and deleted text when editing the referenced documents.

Please note that the proposals must be submitted, preferably, by e-mailing the electronic submission form, or on a CD using the electronic submission form. No handwritten, typed, or faxed proposals will be accepted. **The deadline for the receipt of all proposals, including proposed changes to the Constitution or Bylaws, using the electronic submission form (mailed CD or by e-mail) is February 4, 2015.** Proposals must be received in the office of the Program Committee Chair by this date, not postmarked by this date. E-mailed proposals must be received by 11:59 pm Eastern Time on February 4, 2015. Proposals may be e-mailed, sent on CD, or hand delivered, (not faxed), to:

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