

Joint NUTC Sandhouse Gang & Chicago Transportation Research Forum (TRF) Meeting

"Metra - Building on the Successes of 2015 for the Future"

Wednesday Jan. 20, 2016 12:00 noon – 1:30 pm Brown Bag Luncheon at Metra Headquarters - Check in begins at 11:30 am

Speakers: DONALD A. ORSENO, Executive Director, Metra

Jim Derwinski, *Chief Mechanical Officer, Metra* Bruce Marcheschi, *Chief Engineering Officer*, *Metra*

January's Sandhouse meeting will give you an update on what lies ahead for Metra in 2016 as well as an inside look at recent engineering and mechanical activities. **Don Orseno** will talk about plans for 2016. **Bruce Marcheschi** will discuss the implementation of PTC and the issues confronting Metra and the railroad industry as a whole. **Jim Derwinski** will take us on a virtual tour of Metra's shops discussing the locomotive and passenger car rehabilitation programs as you tour the facilities.

While you will be sitting in the Metra boardroom it will almost be like you are in the shops or on the job sites. Hopefully this program will give you an opportunity to better understand the leadership role that Metra is undertaking America's passenger railroad industry.

Location: Metra Board Room, Metra Headquarters

547 W. Jackson Blvd. - 13th fl., Chicago, IL 60661 (SW corner of Clinton & Jackson)

Pre-Registration Required – ID required to gain access to Metra Headquarters

To Register go to:

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Speaker Bios

Donald Orseno: Metra's Executive Director has worked for the railroad industry for 41 years. Formerly Deputy Executive Director/COO, he provided executive direction and guidance to the Chief Officers of Engineering, Transportation and Mechanical as well as Safety, Operations Training and Certification and Regulatory Compliance. He also provided executive oversight and direction to Purchase of Service Agreement contract carriers (BNSF and Union Pacific) to ensure consistency with Metra's standards and practices. As Executive Director, Mr. Orseno now provides direction and oversight to all areas of Metra's Administrative and Operating program.

Bruce Marcheschi: As Chief Engineering Officer of Metra, Mr. Marcheschi provides overall leadership and direction to Metra's Engineering Operations to ensure that Metra achieves its vision, mission, goals and objectives. Responsibilities include all day to day Engineering functions: Track, Signal, Electrical, Telecommunications, Structural, B&B, MOW, Construction and Station Design. Mr. Marcheschi began his career in 1987 at Metra and has held progressively responsible management positions prior to his current position. Mr. Marcheschi has worked in the railroad industry for over 28 years.

Jim Derwinski: Mr. Derwinski joined Metra in 1996 as a Diesel Locomotive and EMU Electrician. Over the years he held various positions including General Foreman, Director of Systems Maintenance, Director of the Rock Island and Milwaukee Divisions of Metra and Senior Director of Mechanical Operations. In September 2013, Mr. Derwinski was named Chief Mechanical Officer.