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To:

Pipeline and Construction Local Unions

**IBT Affiliates** 

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

After much consideration by the Teamsters National Pipeline Labor Management Trustees and conversations with many of you and our Pipeline Members, it is my pleasure to announce that the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Building Material and Construction Trade Division, along with the Teamsters National Pipeline Labor Management Cooperation Trust Committee (LMCT) will be hosting our Annual Pipeline Steward School and Business Agent and Officer's Conference, February 6, 2022 through February 9, 2022, at the Embassy Suites Charleston Harbor Hotel in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina.

As you may be aware, we previously had Conferences scheduled in March 2020 and January 2021 but like most events over the past two years, these meetings had to be cancelled due to Covid restrictions and at the interest of Health and Safety to our members.

I would like to invite you and your Teamster Pipeline Stewards to attend this very important conference if your schedule permits.

As you are also aware, from our previous invitations to the cancelled meetings, our plans were to fully discuss our current Teamsters National Pipeline Agreement which is now in its second year. Obviously, that did not happen. These meetings will give us an opportunity to do that as well as discuss what is ahead for this very threatened Industry as well as the signing of the Bi-Partisan Infrastructure Bill and the positive affects it will have on every Teamster Local within the United States.

In addition, we will once again have some of our Health Care providers as well as our Pension Fund professionals there to explain the status and updates to our attendees to have those messages properly and accurately communicated back to our members.

I hope that you will take advantage of this by attending and participating in this year's very important meetings, as well as sending your Pipeline Steward(s) and/or your key rank and file members.



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Each individual attendee will be responsible for securing their own hotel reservations by visiting <a href="https://www.charlestonharbor.embassysuites.com">www.charlestonharbor.embassysuites.com</a>. You must reference *Teamsters National Pipeline Steward School* to receive the negotiated rate of \$179.00 plus applicable taxes and fees. Reservations can also be made by calling the Hotel directly at (843) 981-5700.

Reservations will be made against the room block at this rate on a first-come, first-serve basis until Friday, January 7, 2022, or until the limit of secured rooms is reached.

In addition to your Hotel reservation, all Attendees are required to register by sending an email to <a href="mailto:lBTpipeline@teamster.org">lBTpipeline@teamster.org</a>. Please include your name as you would like for it to appear on your badge as well as your Local Union or Company affiliate and the days you will be attending. <a href="mailto:Ex:Bubba Davis, Teamsters Local #509, Feb 6-9">Ex:Bubba Davis, Teamsters Local #509, Feb 6-9</a>. If you have any other questions, please direct them to the IBT Construction Division at 202-624-6885. The International (IBT) is still on a modified Covid protocol so please leave a detailed message if your call is not answered.

Please be advised that this property is much smaller than we are accustomed to, therefore it is very important for you to secure your reservations as soon as possible. While there are several other Hotels available for overflow close by, we will have limited meeting and dining spaces available to stay compliant with CDC requirements of Covid.

Hopefully, this conference will provide you with a different scenery than our previous meetings, as the Disney properties we were accustomed to were not available and other properties we considered were at rates that we felt would put a burden on our Rank & File Brothers and Sisters. I encourage you to investigate the beautiful Port City of Charleston and the Resort areas thereby including all water adventures, spectacular golf courses and incredible history, including Fort Sumter, The Market, The Battery and much more. We will be listing events for your review on our LMCT Pipeline Facebook page in the coming weeks.

Fraternally,

We look forward to seeing you at the Conference.

Marion D. Davis, Director

**Building Material and Construction** 

**Trade Division**