



MINUTES

**MTC Nexus Committee Meeting
Holiday Inn on the Bay
San Diego, California
Thursday, March 22, 2007
9:00 a.m. – Noon PDT**

Public Session

I. Welcome and Introductions

<u>Alabama</u> Holly Coon	<u>Minnesota</u> Keith Getschel Cathy Wicks	<u>South Dakota</u> Bruce Christensen Denice Houlette* Alien Jones*
<u>Arkansas</u> Danny Walker	<u>Montana</u> Lee Baerlocher	<u>Texas</u> Hermi Nanez* Nancy Prosser Rusty Johnson
<u>Connecticut</u> Joe Thomas John Kutsukos	<u>Nebraska</u> Rich Kerper	<u>Utah</u> Michael Christensen* Rod Marrelli Frank Hales Shelley Robinson*
<u>District of Columbia</u> Charles Wilson	<u>New Jersey</u> Lee Evans*	<u>Washington</u> Mike Grundhoffer
<u>Georgia</u> Anita DeGumbia	<u>New Mexico</u> Heidi Chowing	<u>West Virginia</u> Andrew Glancy
<u>Idaho</u> Reva Tisdale	<u>North Carolina</u> Lennie Collins	<u>Wisconsin</u> Lee Davison
<u>Kansas</u> Pat Verschelden	<u>North Dakota</u> Mary Loftsgard	<u>Wyoming</u> Rick Scheer Gerald Jackson Rich Reynders
<u>Louisiana</u> Johnette Martin Peggy; McKinley	<u>Oregon</u> Eric Smith Janielle Lipscomb	
<u>Michigan</u> Sue Pifer.	<u>South Carolina</u> John Rogers	

* By phone

MTC staff representation: Andy Barnes, Ken Beier, Cathy Felix, Allison Kelly, Les Koenig, Sheldon Laskin, Ben Morris, Kathy Owens, Jeff Silver, Diane Simon-Queen, Thomas Shimkin, Antonio Soto, Steve Yang.

COST staff representation: Beth Cooley

II. Public Comment Period

No member of the public commented.

III. Review of Agenda

IV. Review of Nexus Committee Open Session Minutes from the November 2006 meeting in St. Louis, Missouri

Upon proper motion and second, the committee approved the minutes of the November 15, 2006 Nexus Committee meeting, revised to show the attendance of Hermi Nañez and Rusty Johnson of Texas.

V. Website Development

Allison Kelly made a presentation of the MTC website. She demonstrated the search function, and showed how the calendar works, etc. She said she would like suggestions and feedback in order to improve the website. She asked state members to send her documents, including job announcements and events. She would prefer these documents to be sent as PDF files.

She also demonstrated how to search the member's database, which is a migration of the Statenet database. She said she will e-mail the website statistics to those who are interested.

Registration on line for MTC events and training and credit card payment will be ready soon (maybe in a couple of weeks).

VI. MTC Training

Ken Beier reported that a new 2007 MTC training brochure is available now. Copies will be delivered to Nexus Committee members.

There are two new courses in addition to the two Nexus Schools programmed for 2007. One is a "Non-Statistical Sampling Class" in New Orleans, Louisiana, on April 23-27, 2007, and the other is a "Computer-Assisted Audit Class" in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on March 26-28, 2007.

There is no Corporate Income Tax class scheduled for this calendar year. Ken Beier asked the Nexus state members for input on their training needs; he also asked the members if there is a state that would like to volunteer to host a Corporate Income Tax class.

Ken Beier thanked Mary Loftsgard and Bruce Forth (North Dakota) and Bobby Weaver (North Carolina) for their review of Corporate Income Tax and Nexus School materials, certifying that both courses are technically accurate and current and address the issues stated in their learning objectives.

Ken Beier mentioned that MTC training tuition fees are reviewed on a yearly basis.

Antonio Soto gave a Nexus School update for the Nexus School in Lansing, Michigan and the coming schools in Denver, Colorado, in April and in Hartford, Connecticut, in June. Also, Antonio asked Nexus state representatives to contact him or Sheldon if their state would be interested in hosting a school.

Sheldon Laskin reported that the Lansing, Michigan Nexus School received very good reviews. Also, he mentioned that updated Nexus School materials will be available to former Nexus School participants on the website, on a password-protected and limited time basis.

VII. Nexus Staff Report & Committee Actions

- Voluntary Disclosures

Sheldon announced that Diane Simon-Queen has been promoted to senior paralegal. She provided an update on the voluntary disclosure program.

- Litigation

Sheldon provided a litigation update. He commented on the *MBNA* (West Virginia) and *Lanco* (New Jersey) cases and the Ernst & Young report on the number of state and local taxes that affect business.

- Implementation of Disclosure Program “Feedback Loop”

Diane and Sheldon provided an update on the feedback loop. Both were happy with the initial state responses and the reported results. This program should provide information to Nexus member states in a format that more closely meets their needs. Going forward, states will be asked each year to report the amount of revenue received with respect to the prior year from each multi-state voluntary disclosant who concluded a disclosure in that state during that prior year.

VIII. New Business

New Mexico reported that it is strongly considering joining the Nexus Program.

Lee Evans of New Jersey recommended that the MTC adopt a uniform policy about how long nexus lasts. He said he wants to adopt a statement, and the states can either opt in or out of it. Sheldon suggested that Lee head up a drafting committee to make such a statement. Lee agreed. Someone asked if this comes within the scope of the Uniformity Committee. Sheldon said it might and that he will talk to Shirley about it and get back to Lee. Lee asked if there is a consensus on the floor that this is a good idea.

Jeanette Martin of LA suggested the Committee use a statement released by Michigan as a model.

MN said they didn't respond to the survey, but that they have a standard of either 11 months or 1 year.

Lee made a motion that the committee direct Sheldon to talk to Shirley to determine the best way to handle this issue, for example whether a model regulation or a policy statement would be best, and the motion was passed.

IX. Future Meeting Plans

The next Nexus Committee meeting will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in July 2007.

X. Adjournment of Public Session

The open session of this meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM PDT.