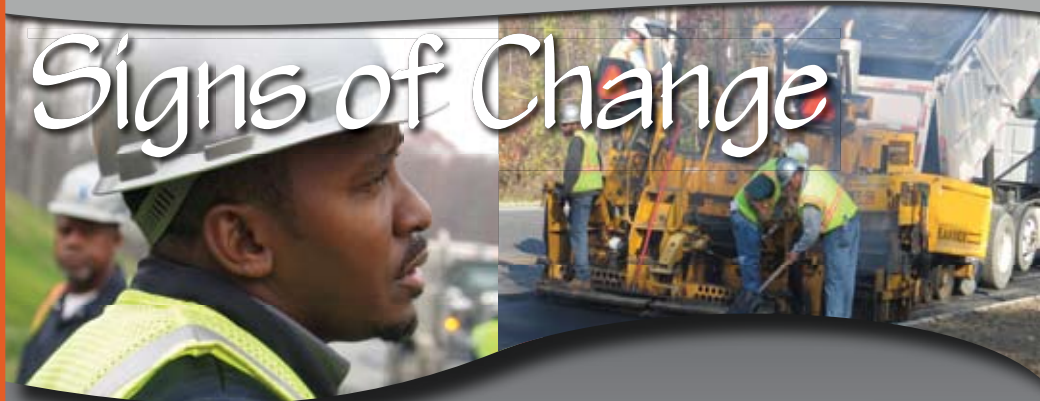


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Distinguished Guests



Mr. David S. Ekern, P.E., Commissioner - Master of Ceremonies Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)

David S. Ekern was appointed Virginia's transportation commissioner in September 2006. He had been director of the Idaho Transportation Department since July 2003. Before that, he served 33 years with the Minnesota Department of Transportation, most recently as assistant commissioner. From 2001-2003 he was on assignment to the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials. Ekern received his Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Minnesota and his Masters in Business Administration from the University of St. Thomas.



Mr. J. Richard Capka, Administrator Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

Mr. Capka was sworn in as the 16th Federal Highway Administrator on May 31, 2006. Prior to that, Mr. Capka was appointed the Deputy Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration in August 2002. In this capacity, he helped prepare the Bush administration's transportation reauthorization proposal, shape the management of highway mega-projects across the country and develop other programs and initiatives for the FHWA.



Mr. Emeka C. Moneme, Director District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT)

Emeka C. Moneme was appointed by Mayor Adrian M. Fenty as Director (Nominated) of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) in January 2007. He is a public management and finance professional with years of experience developing and implementing corporate strategy for public and private sector organizations. He most recently served as the Chief of Staff for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). In February 2007, he was sworn in as the District of Columbia's newest voting representative to the Board of Directors of WMATA.



Mr. Neil J. Pedersen, Administrator Maryland State Highway Administration

Neil J. Pedersen is responsible for an agency that maintains and operates nearly 17,000 lane miles of roadway and 2,500 bridges; employs more than 3,200 professionals in a variety of disciplines; and is responsible for an annual budget of \$1.7 billion. In that position, he also serves as the Governor's Highway Safety Representative and Chair of the Maryland State Roads Commission. A registered professional engineer, he previously served for two and a half years as SHA's Deputy Administrator/Chief Engineer for Planning and Preliminary Engineering. Prior to that, he was SHA's Director of Planning and Preliminary Engineering for 16 years.



Mr. John Horsley, Executive Director The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)

From 1993 to 1999 he served at the U.S. Department of Transportation. As Associate Deputy Secretary, he was an advocate for intermodal policies, quality of life initiatives, and liaison to State and Local Governments, U.S. Congress, and transportation constituencies. A native of the Northwest, Horsley was elected to five terms as County Commissioner in Kitsap County, a community just west of Seattle. He is a graduate of Harvard, an Army veteran, a former Peace Corps volunteer and Congressional aide, and did graduate study at Georgetown. He is Past President of the National Association of Counties, and was founding Chairman of the Rebuild America Coalition.



Mr. Henry Ross, President-Elect The American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA)

ATSSA President-Elect Henry Ross has been actively involved in advancing roadway safety for over thirty years, including holding various sales and marketing management positions. He is currently the Director of Sales and Marketing for Eastern Metal/USA-SIGN, Elmira, N.Y. Mr. Ross' industry participation includes membership on the Temporary Traffic Control Subcommittee of the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices as well as extensive activities within ATSSA, including serving on various committees, the American Traffic Safety Services Foundation Board, and the ATSSA Board of Directors. Henry and his wife Elizabeth reside in St. Charles, Ill.



Mr. Brian Burgett, Chair, Highway and Transportation Division Associated General Contractors of America (AGC)

Brian Burgett is the President of Kokosing Construction Company a family owned business started in 1951 and located in Fredericktown, Ohio. Kokosing performs a wide variety of construction projects, including highway, industrial and commercial buildings, water and wastewater treatment, marine and major site development. Mr. Burgett provides direct, daily, overall leadership of Kokosing's various divisions and affiliated companies. He has been active in the Associated General Contractors of America for many years serving on a variety of committees and the Executive Board.



Mr. Ken Aldridge, President of the Contractors Division The American Road & Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA)

Ken Aldridge is the owner and CEO of Aldridge Electric, based in Libertyville, Illinois. The company is recognized as the largest electrical contractor in the Midwest, and has been headquartered in the northern Chicago suburbs since 1952. After graduating with a finance degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Ken Aldridge joined the company full time in 1973. He is a past president of the Illinois Road and Transportation Builders Association and has served on its board for the past 10 years.