

## **Tracking Sub-Group Call, Monday December 12, 2005, 11 a.m. eastern**

**Participants:** Bill Mackie (WGA), Sarah Wochos (CSG-MW), Michele Sampson (FRA)

Participants discussed information to add to the group's working document and next steps for the discussion. It was mentioned that RW recently announced that the rail spur in Nevada would cost much more than originally planned, so the possibility of heavy-hauling is likely, at least initially until the spur is completed. In light of that, we need to consider technologies and policies for both truck and rail and for inter-modal transfers.

People/sources to contact for lessons-learned and/or available technologies

- Bob Fronczak at AAR - as a starting point to involving the railroads. AAR likely has access to information on available technologies, as well as rail policy and preferences. Once we have winnowed down our list of options and recommendations we will get the individual railroads involved.
- European companies – they have made many shipments by rail and will undoubtedly have many lessons-learned and a good tracking system in place.
- Ray English of the Navy Nuclear Propulsion Program – for lessons-learned on the NNP shipments and/or tracking technology.
- MHF Logistical Solutions – there was a recent article about new technologies.
- CBFO – there is a TRANSCOM User's Group meeting in mid-January that Bill and Tim Runyon (IL) will be attending. There they will get updated information on TRANSCOM and can ask questions about the similar technologies for inter-modal/rail.
- States – it might be beneficial to survey some of the states to see what policies or requirements are out there, as well as any additional lessons-learned and preferences. The states will also inform us as to their needs for training, equipment, and other assistance for tracking shipments during this campaign.

**Next Call:** The next call will be set up for early to mid-February in order to allow time for information collection and to wait until after the TRANSCOM meeting.

### **Action Items:**

- ~~Michele will send the group information for any European contacts she has.~~
- ~~Michele will forward the recent article on MHF Logistical Solutions technologies.~~
- ~~Bill and Tim Runyon will attend the TRANSCOM User's Group meeting and report back to the sub-group.~~
- ~~Sarah and Bill will contact Bob Fronczak, Ray English, any European companies, and states for policies, technologies and lessons learned. (States will be contacted via a survey in the coming months).~~
- All other sub-group members should forward any information on lessons-learned, available technologies, or pertinent policies to Sarah and Bill for inclusion in the working document.
- ~~Once all the information is collected, Sarah and Bill will organize and summarize it and develop key questions and issues for the sub-group to discuss.~~