



## AgTC/USDA Ag Shipper Workshop – Fresno

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

**9 AM -- Registration, Coffee and Danish, Workshop: 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM**

**Location:** Double Tree- Convention Center 2233 Ventura Street

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Ag Shipper Workshops are a great opportunity for off the record, informal, round table style discussion of the most pressing current challenges facing exporters and importers.

**No press, ocean carriers or ports -- with the exception of invited high level carrier and rail guests and port sponsor.**

*Discussion continues over **lunch**, which will be served mid-day.*

**AgTC Member Fee: \$25      Non-Member Fee: \$125**

**We discuss the most pressing concerns facing exporters in ocean, port, rail and trucking. Following are some topics, if you have others, let us know and/or bring them with you!**

- **Ocean carrier alliances**, mergers, bankruptcies – What we need from ocean carriers. Forecast on the year ahead.  
*Allen Clifford, Executive VP Commercial, MSC*  
*Giancarlo Morgera, Executive VP Liner Services, MSC*
- **SOLAS:** Mostly resolved, but some problems remain, requiring oversight
- **Hanjin Bankruptcy:** impact on exporters, freight rates, and export competitiveness
- **Zika Virus:** China requiring containers/ships from Florida (*who's next?*) certified as fumigated.
- **West Coast Ports:** port terminal operations, labor negotiations, impact on export supply chain  
*Susan Ransom, SSA Marine*  
*Port of Oakland Representatives*
- **Trucking:** Hours of service, weight limits, electronic monitoring logs, air quality standards, and more
- **Federal Maritime Commission** supporting exports -- prevent unfair congestion/per diem charges, etc.
- **Port Performance Metrics:** Will the Dept. of Transportation Working Group effect change?

**YOUR concerns and questions –encouraged throughout the Workshop. This is a Discussion, not speeches!**

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