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Strengthening Physical & Digital Connections to the Global Economy Session III: January 5-7, 2010

Hotel Monteleone * New Orleans, LA

Tuesday, January 5, 2010

- 2:00 – 2:10 p.m. **Welcome**
Session Chair:
Carolyn Dahl, Dean, College of Continuing Studies, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
- 2:10 – 2:20 p.m. **Team Report #1 (Team selected by luck of the draw)**
- 2:20 – 3:20 p.m. **Thinking, Acting and Working Regionally: Helping the Delta Compete Globally**
Mark Drabentstott, Director, Center for Regional Competitiveness, Rural Policy Research Institute, Kansas City, MO
- 3:20 – 3:30 p.m. **Break**
- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Jump-Starting Economic Change Through Entrepreneurial Activity**
Dennis Roedemeier, Retired Director, Missouri Research Corporation, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO
- 4:30 - 4:35 p.m. **Mini Break**
- 4:35 – 6:00 p.m. **“Playing by the Rules” (having some fun with communication and problem solving)**
Jane Stanfield, Associate Provost for International Education and Global Outreach, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL
- 6:00 pm **Dinner on Your Own**

Wednesday, January 6, 2010

- 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:00 – 8:10 a.m. **Team Report #2**
8:10 – 9:40 a.m. **Transportation Planning, Policy & Issues in the Delta**
Bill Triplett, Senior Advisor to the Federal Co-Chairman, Delta Regional Authority, Clarksdale, MS
Larry L. “Butch” Brown, Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Transportation, Jackson, MS
Leo Penne, Program Director for Intermodal and Industry Activities, American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), Washington, D.C.
- 9:40 – 9:50 a.m. **Break**
- 9:50 – 10:40 a.m. **Broadband – The Other Highway: Connecting the Delta to the World**
Kathy Lively, Executive Director, Connect SI, Marion, IL
- 10:40 – 10:45 a.m. **Mini Break**
- 10:45 – 11:20 p.m. **New Models for Health Care Delivery in the Delta**
Kim Howell, Nurse Practitioner, Hattiesburg, MS
- 11:20 – 12:20 p.m. **Team Meeting**
- 12:20 – 12:30 p.m. **Team Report #3**
- 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch at the Hotel Monteleone**
- 1:30 – 5:30 p.m. **Davis Pond Freshwater Diversion Project Tour**
(On Wednesday afternoon, January 6, we will be taking an outdoor field trip to the Davis Pond Freshwater Diversion Project. Background information about the project is available at <http://dnr.louisiana.gov/crm/coastres/project.asp?id=BA-01> and at <http://www.lacoast.gov/programs/DavisPond/>. We will depart the Hotel Monteleone by bus at 1:30 pm for the 30 mile trip. Once at Davis Pond, the tour will include riding in an airboat. We suggest that you bring a warm sweater or sweatshirt along with a waterproof jacket. We will depart Davis Pond at 4:30 pm)
- 5:30 p.m. **Dinner on your own**

Thursday, January 7, 2010



- 7:30 – 8:20 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 8:20 – 8:30 a.m. **Team Report #4**
- 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. **New Schools for New Orleans (NSNO)**
Neerav Kingsland, Human Capital and Partnership Director, NSNO,
New Orleans, LA
- 9:30 – 9:50 a.m. **Break and Check Out**
- 9:50 – 10:50 a.m. **Team Meeting**
- 10:50 – 11:00 a.m. **Team Report #5**
- 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. **Innovative Readiness Training (IRT)**
Karen G. Trueblood, Capt., USN, Assistant Deputy Director IRT Program
Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense, Pentagon, Washington, D.C. (or
her representative)
- 11:45 - 12:00 noon **Session Wrap-up and Evaluations**
- 12:00 noon **Adjourn**

