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## NPTC 2016—YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

**THIS MONTH**, more than 1,200 private fleet professionals will converge on Cincinnati and the NPTC Annual Educational Management Conference and Exhibition, which will be packed with tremendous take-home value.

► **Information.** NPTC is pleased to announce a professional and stimulating lineup of keynote speakers that include a former Navy Seal Team Six sniper who served in the Somalia Black Hawk Down conflict and Frank Abagnale, the international security expert made famous in the movie *Catch Me if You Can*.

► **Educational Workshops.** More than 20 workshops and five general sessions will feature some of the nation's leading private fleet professionals speaking on best practices in private fleet management.

► **Exhibits.** NPTC 2016 will feature an extensive and impressive array of fleet products and services from leading industry suppliers. Come participate in a virtual showcase of solutions and take advantage of this unparalleled opportunity to learn first-hand about potential business solutions.

► **Networking.** Unparalleled peer-to-peer interaction

► **Recognition.** NPTC will honor the private fleet community's best and brightest practitioners for their achievements: Certified



Transportation Professional (CTP®) Class of 2016, Driver Hall of Fame and Fleet Safety Award winners, and NPTC Professional Leadership Award winners for 2016.

► **Social.** The Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza Hotel and the Duke Energy Convention Center, NPTC's outstanding host-city partners, provide the highest level of customer service in quality food, beverages, lodging and meeting rooms to ensure that all events and social activities take place in an optimized, engaged and enjoyable learning atmosphere.

► **Location.** A central setting allows you to minimize your travel time and expense.

## 2016 WEBCAST SERIES

**NPTC AND J.J. KELLER & ASSOCIATES** have teamed up once again to host eight all-new, safety-related webcasts. The webcasts, which are free to all NPTC members, resume in May and continue into October.

- May 18: The New Coercion Rule and Whistleblower Protection
  - May 19: Mitigating Accident Liability
  - July 20: Drug and Alcohol Testing (Hair Follicle Testing)
  - July 21: The Aging Driver Workforce and Workers' Compensation (Driver Wellness)
  - October 12: Ensuring Driver Quality Through Effective Screening Protocols
  - October 13: Developing Effective Driver Onboarding Practices
- For more information, visit [www.jjkeller.com/nptcinfo](http://www.jjkeller.com/nptcinfo).

## WASHINGTON REPORT CONFERENCE CALL

All NPTC members are invited to attend the Washington Report, a monthly Legislative and Regulatory Advisory Committee teleconference that occurs the second Monday of every month at 11:30 a.m. EST. Rick Schweitzer, general counsel and government affairs representative, gives the latest update on key legislative and regulatory compliance issues of interest to private fleets.

## NPTC INSTITUTE BOARD OF GOVERNORS ELECTS NEW MEMBERS

On January 19, the NPTC board of directors met via teleconference. The day before, four candidates were elected to serve on the NPTC Institute Board of Governors during the group's January 18 meeting in Jacksonville: Mike Baker, SmartDrive Systems; Samuel Johnson, Ryder System; Ken Roemer, Paccar Leasing; and Angela Shue, PeopleNet.



## 2016 BENCHMARKING SURVEY

This year's Benchmarking Survey Instrument has been sent to the Benchmarking Steering Committee for review. The survey was sent to the general membership in February. NPTC conducts an annual Private Fleet Benchmarking Survey, sponsored by PeopleNet, designed to validate private fleet performance based on comparative peer data, identify areas of improvement and opportunity, and identify the significant trends affecting private fleet practitioners. The final report will be released August 1, 2016.



## CTP EXAM

On Saturday, February 13, 66 candidates sat for the Certified Transportation Professional exam in 32 proctored locations. In addition, 18 CTPs volunteered to grade the case study and short answer essay portions of the exam on February 22-23 in Jacksonville.



## NPTC/IDEALEASE SEMINAR SCHEDULE

The 2016 Idealease/NPTC Safety and Compliance Seminar Series, co-sponsored by NPTC and Idealease Inc., provides information and training that fleet managers need to comply with regulations, understand the carrier analysis process, and prepare for FMCSA intervention and compliance reviews. Using the regulations as an outline for the entire seminar, topics are presented in a logical sequence beginning with definitions, an overview of enforcement activities, and guidelines to develop your own safety program. Aside from a review of new and proposed regulations, topics covered include the following:

- Electronic logging devices
- Drug and alcohol testing regulations and supervisor training with certification
- Update on FMCSA Compliance, Safety and Accountability
- Applicability of federal and state safety regulations
- Driver qualifications
- Vehicle maintenance and inspections

Following is the 2016 schedule:

April 12, Wausau, WI	April 20, Tampa, FL
April 13, Green Bay, WI	April 21, Orlando, FL
April 14, Madison, WI	April 26, Baltimore, MD
April 14, Lodi, CA	April 27, Harrisburg, PA
April 19, Fort Myers, FL	April 28, New Windsor, NY

## coming events...

Mark your calendars now for the following upcoming events:

### NPTC ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2016

April 24-26, 2016, Cincinnati, OH  
"You Must Be Present to Win"

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### NATIONAL SAFETY CONFERENCE

September 15-16, 2016, Dulles, VA

- April 28, Cedar Rapids, IA
- May 3, Kansas City, MO
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- May 5, Salt Lake City, UT
- May 5, Aurora, CO
- May 10, Everett, WA
- May 12, Moncton, NB
- June 7, Springfield, IL
- June 23, San Leandro, CA
- Sept. 20, Lafayette, IN
- Sept. 22, Santa Barbara, CA
- October 4, Erie, PA
- October 5, Butler, PA