



SOUTH CAROLINA
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

1st Annual Manufacturers Conference: Manufacture America

presented by McNair Law Firm P.A.

with the participation of the International Trade
Administration of the U.S. Department of Commerce

Hilton Oceanfront Resort, Hilton Head Island

December 5-7, 2010

Tentative Agenda

Sunday, December 5

1 p.m. Manufacturers Steering Committee meeting

2 - 6 p.m. Registration

5:30 - 7 p.m. Welcome Reception

Sponsored by The Capital Corporation, Elliott Davis, LLC, SCS Engineers & South Carolina Manufacturing Extension Partnership

Monday, December 6

7:15 a.m. Registration and Breakfast Buffet

8 a.m. Welcome and Opening Comments

Josef Kerscher, BMW Manufacturing Co.

8:15 a.m. The State of Manufacturing in America

Aric Newhouse, National Association of Manufacturers

9 a.m. Sausage Making and the Legislative Process

Charles Reid, Clerk, SC House of Representatives

9:45 a.m. The Legislative Power of Employees

Joe Savarise, BIPAC

10:30 a.m. Break sponsored by MWV Specialty Chemicals

10:45 a.m. The Business of Education Partnerships

Dr. Bob Couch, S.C. Department of Education

11:30 a.m. Are You readySC?

Darrel Staat, S.C. Technical College System

12:15 p.m. Lunch sponsored by BMW Manufacturing Co.

Topic TBA

Rick Wade, Deputy Chief of Staff, United States Department of Commerce

1:15 p.m. Workforce Development-The Holistic View

Jim Reynolds, Total Comfort Solutions

1:45 p.m. Regulatory Trends for Manufacturing Under the New EPA

Ethan Ware, McNair Law Firm, P.A.

2:15 p.m. Recent Updates in Labor Law

Eric Schweitzer, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C.

2:45 p.m. Break sponsored by Anderson Insurance Associates / Chubb Group of Insurance Companies

3 p.m. The Power Surge and You

Lonnie Carter, Santee Cooper

3:30 p.m. The State of Manufacturing in S.C.

Robbie Barnett, S.C. Chamber of Commerce

4 p.m. Break sponsored by Hitachi Electronic Devices USA Inc.

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- 4:15 p.m.** **The US Manufacturing Competitiveness Initiative**
Dr. Harris Pastides, University of South Carolina
- 5:45 p.m.** **Networking Reception**
- 6:30 p.m.** **Dinner** *Sponsored by Akebono Brake Corporation & MAU Workforce Solutions*
The Future of Manufacturing and Opportunities for Growth
Nicole Y. Lamb-Hale, Assistant Secretary for Manufacturing & Services, U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration
- 9 -11 p.m.** **Hospitality Suite**
- Tuesday, December 7**
- 7:30 a.m.** **Breakfast Buffet**
- 8 a.m.** **The National Export Initiative**
Nicole Y. Lamb-Hale, Assistant Secretary for Manufacturing & Services, U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration
- 8:30 a.m.** **Exporting: An Untapped Growth Engine**
Moderator:
Peter Perez, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Manufacturing, U.S. Department of Commerce
Panelists:
Clarke Thompson, S.C. Department of Commerce,
Phil Minard, U.S. Commercial Service,
Bill Hogan, Sawgrass Ink
Norman Manson, Coastal Technologies
**Jim Newsome, S.C. State Ports Authority*
- 9:30** **Break** *sponsored by AQA International*
- 10:00 a.m.** **Building Successful Supply Chains for Export**
Moderator:
Roger Kilmer, Manufacturing Extension Partnership, National Institute of Standards & Technology
Panelists:
Janice R. Greene, Boeing
Charles Stith, Harsco Rail
**Representative from Michelin*
- 11:00 a.m.** **The Birth of a New Workforce**
Randy Hatcher, MAU Workforce Solutions
- 11:45 a.m.** **Closing Comments**
Otis Rawl, South Carolina Chamber of Commerce
- Noon** **Adjourn**
- Afternoon Golf Outing:** The George Fazio Golf Course (optional)

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