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JANUARY 2016 NEWSLETTER

Join us for the

**2016 IMSA Canadian Prairie Section
Annual Conference & Trade Show**

**April 12 - 14, 2016
Delta Bessborough
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan**



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~ INTERNATIONAL IMSA NEWS ~

HAVERTY COURT, FL., January 20, 2016 – The Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Chief Douglas M. Aiken has been appointed as the Executive Director of IMSA. Doug has served as IMSA Deputy Executive Director since May 2011 and before that, was Interim Executive Director on two occasions. His leadership and vision have contributed greatly to the mission of IMSA and the support of our membership. Prior to joining the IMSA staff, he held elected offices as a member of IMSA including Chairman of the Board of Directors for three years. He is also a 35-year veteran of the fire service and served in several public safety leadership positions at the national level.

(Visit www.IMSAsafety.org for the full news release)



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IMSA Canadian Prairie Section
Annual Conference and Trade Show
April 12-14, 2016

Delta Bessborough – Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Tentative Conference Agenda

Monday, April 11, 2016	
8:00 – 16:00	Certification Courses (Day 1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work Zone Traffic Safety - Traffic Signals Level II Field
Tuesday, April 12, 2016	
8:00 – 16:00	Certification Courses (Day 2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work Zone Traffic Safety - Traffic Signals Level II Field
14:00 – 16:00	Certification Course – Challenge Exams
12:00 – 15:00	<i>Technical Tour - Tentative</i>
16:30 – 19:00	Conference Registration
18:00 – 21:00	Tradeshow and Reception
Wednesday, April 13, 2016	
8:00 – 9:00	Conference Registration
9:00 – 15:30	Technical Sessions
10:00 – 16:00	Tradeshow
18:00 – 22:00	Dinner Banquet and Entertainment <small>Included with registration for all Exhibitors & Conference Delegates. Guests welcome with purchase of banquet ticket.</small>
Thursday, April 14, 2016	
9:00 – 11:00	Technical Sessions
11:00 – 11:45	IMSA Canadian Prairie Section - Annual General Meeting <i>Open to Everyone</i>
11:45 – 12:30	Lunch



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International Municipal Signal Association Canadian Prairie Section Call for Papers & Posters

2016 Annual Conference and Trade Show Saskatoon, Saskatchewan - April 12 - 14 2016

The International Municipal Signals Association (IMSA) Canadian Prairie Section cordially invites all interested candidates to present a technical paper and/or poster at the Annual Conference and Trade Show to be held in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan from April 12 - 14, 2016.

Please send your abstract (maximum 500 words) in the body of an e-mail or as an attached Microsoft Word File.

Technical papers are invited for presentation at the conference, on any aspect of:

- Traffic Signals Infrastructure / Equipment
- Event Management Strategies
- Signalized Pedestrian Crossings
- Roadway Lighting
- Road / Traffic Safety
- Municipally based transportation projects and overcoming challenges
- Other research topics
- Signal Communications
- Vehicle Detection
- Signs and Road Markings
- Work Zone Strategies
- Traffic Signal Maintenance Practices

Those papers accepted for presentation at the conference will be available online on the IMSA Canadian Prairie Section website: www.canadianprairie.imsasafety.org

Important Dates:

- ⇒ Abstracts for both Presentations & Posters must be received by February 5, 2016
- ⇒ Notification of acceptance by February 19, 2016
- ⇒ Final Paper submission by March 18, 2016

With the Final Paper Submission, we would also like to request Biographical Information related to the Presenter(s). The following information is requested:

- Name(s) of Presenter(s)
- Job Title(s)
- Organization(s)
- Work Experience
- Two Personal Interests / Hobbies
- Work Contact Information (Work Phone / Work Email)

Presentations will be approximately 20 to 25 minutes in length, with 5 to 10 minutes of questions and discussions. **More time may be allotted if requested.** Please submit all abstracts to:

Eric Whitby at (780) 412-7653 or at ewhitby@epcor.com



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Certification Course Announcement

(Held during the section annual conference in April 12-14, 2016)

Course Name: Work Zone Traffic Safety

Pre-requisite: N/A

Date: April 11-12, 2016

Time: Two days, 8:00 am to 4:00pm each day (including closed book exam)

Cost: \$550.00 Members, \$650.00 Non-Members

Course Name: Traffic Signals Level II Field

Pre-requisite: Traffic Signals I, 2 years experience in the traffic signal field

Date: April 11-12, 2016

Time: Two days, 8:00 am to 4:00pm each day (including closed book exam)

Cost: \$500.00 Members, \$600.00 Non-Members

All Challenge Exams will be \$185.00 (members/non-members)

Location for all courses:

Delta Bessborough

601 Spadina Crescent East

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Accommodations: A special rate of \$144.00 + tax per night in a standard room has been blocked under "International Municipal Signal Association" at the Delta Bessborough available to attendees until March 10, 2016.

Call 1-800-268-1133 or 306-244-5521 to book your own reservation.

- **NOTE: The Certification Course(s) may or may not proceed, depending on class size.**
- Fees include manuals, exams & materials. Lunch will be provided each day.

The deadline for registration is March 11, 2016.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Canadian Prairie Certification Chair:
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