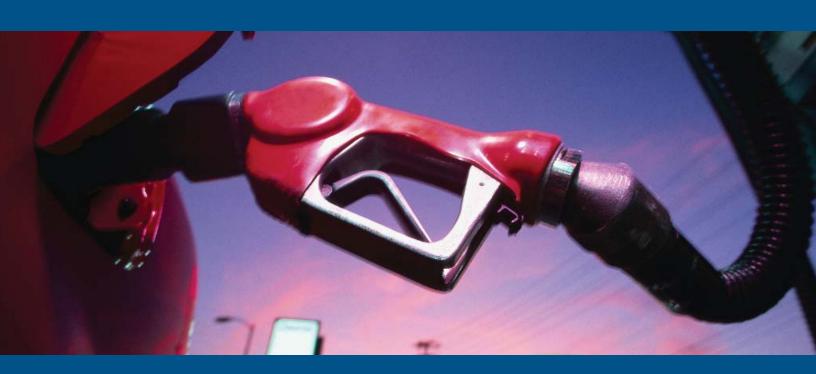
### The Home Stretch

# **2005 Clean Fuels Challenge: Exhibit Prospectus**

Westin Galleria Hotel Houston, Texas August 9 – 10, 2005





#### What is the Clean Fuels Challenge?

This biennial meeting focuses on the challenges of producing low-sulfur fuels to meet federal standards that will be implemented from 2004 to 2010. The 2005 meeting will focus on refiners' experiences starting up and operating hydrotreaters and other operations that produce low-sulfur gasoline and diesel fuels and apply those lessons learned to future challenges. The meeting format offers a keynote address, workshops, discussion groups, and a Q&A session on refining technology and reliability where experts share valuable insights.

The meeting will also include a tabletop exhibition for companies that supply catalysts, process technology, maintenance services, and equipment to produce ultra low-sulfur fuels and to improve plant reliability. All registrants, whether from operating companies or supplier/vendor companies, are invited to attend and participate in all sessions.

This meeting is for the Operations, Maintenance, and Engineering managers, supervisors, and planners that will have to design and operate refineries in the new, low-sulfur environment.

#### Who is NPRA?

NPRA, the National Petrochemical & Refiners Association, has the honor of being the oldest trade association to serve the oil industry. Formed in 1902 with the merger of the National Petroleum Association and the Western Petroleum Association, the National Petroleum Refiners Association served the petroleum refining and petrochemical manufacturing industries for the last 100 years with pride. NPRA is now known as the National Petrochemical & Refiners Association, a name which, while rooted in the heritage of the Association, reflects the true make-up of the membership and highlights the increasing interdependence of the refining and petrochemical industries that we represent.

NPRA represents 102 regular member companies, encompassing nearly all of the petroleum refiners and petrochemical manufacturers in the United States.

Membership also consists of international refining and manufacturing entities, as well as domestic and foreign companies which have special interests in petroleum refining and petrochemical manufacturing, while not operating the refineries or facilities themselves.

#### Interested in Membership?

Please contact Susan Yashinskie at 202.457.0480 or Susany@npra.org

#### **Move-In Hours**

Tuesday, August 9 8:00 am - 10:30 am

#### **Move-Out Hours**

Wednesday, August 10 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

#### **Sponsorships**

Show your support for the industry, contact Lynne Schoenbeck for sponsorship opportunities at 202.457.0480 or LSchoenbeck@npra.org.

#### **Space Assignments**

Member companies who submit their contracts by June 30, 2005, will receive priority processing for entry into the show and assignment of tabletop location.

After June 30, tables will be assigned on a first-come, space available basis. This year's floor plan consists of 53, 8' tabletops.

After space is assigned, a confirmation will be sent to the exhibitor with tabletop assignment. The NPRA reserves the right to make necessary changes in assigned tabletop locations for the benefit of exhibitors and the improvement of the entire meeting.

#### **Display Information**

Tabletops should consist of very simple displays. Elaborate demonstrations will not be possible. Electrical services will be available at a cost to the exhibitor. Appropriate order forms will be sent with the confirmation. Security will be provided, but valuable equipment such as laptops should be removed from the tabletop area when the displays are not open. NPRA will provide:

- 1, 8' x 30" skirted table
- 1 chair
- 1, 7" x 44" table sign with company name and space number
- Attendee lists (including full mailing address prior to and after the conference).

#### **Fees**

Tabletop fees are listed below. *Please note:* These fees do NOT include any complimentary exhibitor registrations or passes. All exhibit personnel working the show must register for the conference using full registration as outlined below. This method will allow you to better manage your budget and personnel and also afford you the convenience of registering and reserving your hotel rooms online. The floor plan on page 5 indicates the location of the tabletops and food service areas. Locations are believed to be accurate, but are not guaranteed.

#### **Tabletop fees:**

Member	\$ 300 / table
Non-member	\$ 400 / table

Please fax the completed Tabletop Application to Tara Divine, 202.835.0467.

Registration fees:	Before	After
	July 11	July 11
Members	\$ 325	\$ 425
Nonmembers	\$ 645	\$ 745

Online conference registration will be available beginning June 1.

#### Schedule of Events Tuesday, August 9, 2005

8:00 am – 6:30 pm	Registration Open
8:00 am – 10:30 am	Tabletops Move-In / Set-Up
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	Luncheon / Tabletop Displays Open
1:30 pm – 2:15 pm	Keynote Session
2:15 pm – 5:00 pm	Q&A Session
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Coffee Break
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Reception / Tabletop Displays Open

#### Wednesday, August 10, 2005

7:00 am – 3:15 pm	Registration Open
8:00 am – 9:15 am	Concurrent Workshops
9:15 am – 9:30 am	Coffee Break
9:30 am – 10:45 am	Concurrent Workshops
10:45 am – 11:00 am	Coffee Break
11:00 am – 12:15 pm	Concurrent Workshops
12:15 pm – 2:00 pm	Lunch / Tabletop Displays Open
1:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Tabletop Displays Tear-Down / Move-Out
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm	Concurrent Workshops

These rules and regulations, and all text in this Exhibitor Application, are to be construed as part of all tabletop contracts. NPRA reserves the right to interpret them as well as make final decisions on all points which the rules and regulations do not cover.

#### **Space Assignments**

Prior to and including June 30, 2005, priority for assigning space will be determined by NPRA membership and number of previous years of participation in the tabletops. After June 30, 2005, space will be assigned on a first-come, space available basis.

NPRA reserves the right to change space assignment if, in NPRA's judgment, it becomes necessary to do so.

#### **Payments and Cancellations**

In applying for space, the exhibitor must pay the full cost of the space with the application. A full refund will be made if space is not available. Refunds for cancellations will be made only if the space can be resold, according to the following schedule: By July 1, 2005 - full refund; by July 8 - 90% of space rental fee; by July 15 - 75%; by July 29 - 50%; after July 29 - 0% of space rental fee. Cancellations must be made in writing and forwarded to Tara Divine at fax number: 202.835.0467 or email: tdivine@npra.org.

#### **Space and Equipment**

The space will include 1, 8' x 30" skirted table, 1 chair, and 1, 7" x 44" table sign with tabletop number. All other display materials will be provided by participant at his/her own expense.

#### **Default of Occupancy**

- If by 11:00 am on Tuesday, August 9, 2005, an exhibitor fails to register and occupy any space contracted for but not canceled in writing to NPRA, NPRA shall have the right to use said space to suit its own convenience, including selling the space to another exhibitor, without any rebate or allowance to the defaulting exhibitor.
- If the display material has been delivered to the table but has not been assembled, NPRA reserves the right to remove the material and place it in storage.
- NPRA assumes no responsibility for having included the name of the defaulting exhibitor or descriptions of that exhibitor's products in the show brochures, news releases, or other materials.

#### **Rules and Regulations**

Exhibitors will abide by all other provisions of said rules and regulations and with fire regulations and all other regulations of governmental agencies and the Westin Galleria Hotel.

#### **Objectionable Material and Activities**

NPRA reserves the right to require modification of any tabletop it deems questionable for any reason. Raffles, drawings, fishbowls, contests or similar activities are not permitted (see tabletop conduct and activities on next page).

#### **Handling and Storage**

- Shipment should be minimal due to simple nature of display.
- The exhibitor will make his/her own arrangements for delivery and receipt of shipment and storage of crates before move-in time. The arrangements may be made, if desired, through the official drayer, The Freeman Companies.
- To facilitate the handling of crates and other freight upon arrival at the Westin Galleria Hotel, the participant will provide copies of bill of lading to official drayer, but this will not place the participant under obligation to said official drayer for services unless participant so desires. The hotel does not accept advance freight shipments.

#### Liabilities and Insurance

- The exhibitor, by entering into this contract, hereby waives any claim against and shall indemnify, save and hold harmless NPRA, the Westin Galleria Hotel, its agents and employees for any damages or injuries to property or persons occasioned by or in connection with the conference unless caused by the willful misconduct of NPRA, the Westin Galleria Hotel, its agents or employees.
- Exhibitor agrees to maintain such insurance that will fully protect NPRA and the Westin Galleria Hotel from any claims of any nature, including claims under the Workmen's Compensation Act, and for damages for personal injury, including death, which may arise in connection with the presence and/or operation of participant's display. In the event the exhibitor damages the building, or any part thereof, he agrees to reimburse the owner of the building for the cost of repairing such damages to said building, or any part thereof, directly or indirectly.
- NPRA will not be liable for failure to hold the seminar as scheduled. Payments for tabletop space will be returned in that event, less the exhibitor's pro-rata share of all costs and expenses incurred and committed by the NPRA.
- The exhibitor hereby consents to the jurisdiction of the courts of the District of Columbia with respect to any right of action arising under this contract.

#### Admission

- NPRA will have sole control over admission of all persons. All persons visiting
  the tabletops will be admitted according
  to the rules and regulations of the conference as issued or amended by the
  authorized representative of NPRA.
- All persons visiting the tabletops must be registered and wear an official NPRA badge at all times.
- No one under the age of 18 years of age will be allowed in the tabletop area at any time.

#### **Tabletop Configuration**

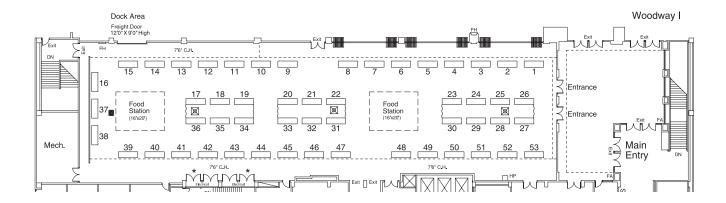
- Display material may be placed up to a height of 8' from the hotel floor and must set on top of the 8' table. Any signs or banners must be affixed to the tabletop; however, no nails, screws or other damaging device may be used in process. Under no circumstance may any sign be affixed to the walls of the exhibit hall.
- NPRA reserves the right to restrict the use of glaring or irregular lighting effects.
   The use of signs or lighting involving the use of neon or similar gases, and flashing electrical signs or lighting are not permitted.
- NPRA reserves the right to restrict the use of demonstration equipment that produces a noise level objectionable to NPRA, attendees or neighboring exhibitors.
- The use of minimal audio-visual equipment will be permitted, subject to written approval of NPRA.
- NPRA reserves the right to restrict abnormally heavy equipment or any other display that may pose a safety hazard.

#### **Tabletop Displays and Conduct**

- Displays should be directly related to the products and services provided by the exhibitor in the regular course of business.
- Tabletop personnel must be limited to employees of the exhibitor or its affiliates.
   Exhibitors are not permitted to use celebrities, models, caricaturists or entertainers. Spouse registrants are not permitted to work in the booth.
- Raffles, drawings, contests, or similar activities of any kind, regardless of the intended purpose or winnings, are not permitted and no exceptions will be made. Therefore, no fishbowls are permitted on the tabletops.

- Giveaways are permitted only when the item is of minimal value, available to all attendees, and not related to any type of raffle, drawing or contest.
- Distribution of any open food item is not permitted.
- Sales are not to be made nor orders placed at any of the exhibit facilities.
- Exhibitors must confine their activities to the space for which they have contracted, and may not distribute samples or souvenirs except from their tabletop.
- The exhibitor shall be responsible for the safety of all individuals participating in or viewing their display.
- Live animals and smoking are not permitted in the tabletop area.
- Exhibitors will not be permitted to behave in a manner that is, in the sole discretion of NPRA, objectionable. Any questions of propriety should be cleared in writing with NPRA.

#### Floor plan



#### **Tabletop Application**

You may download this application from our website: www.npra.org Description of products/services for final seminar program: 1. Complete all of the sections below in their entirety; this (30 words or less) information will be used in all seminar literature and mailings. 2. Sign below under "Agreement by Exhibitor". 3. Forward this form and the floor plan (page 5) by June 30, 2005, with full payment of tabletop fees to NPRA at fax: 202.835.0467, or mailing address: 1899 L Street NW, Suite 1000, Washington DC 20036. 4. Full payment must be received by June 30, 2005 for space **Tabletop Fees** to be assigned. Payment may be made by check (payable to □ Member \$ 300/table NPRA) or credit card. □ Non-Member \$ 400/table **Exhibitor Information** Note: Tabletop fees do NOT include exhibitor complimentary registration. All exhibitors must pay the registration fee for the conference. Exhibiting Company (35 character limit) Agreement by Exhibitor Address (Include full shipping address) We hereby agree to: 1. Abide by all the rules and regulations, as stipulated in the Address Tabletop Application and in any exhibitor materials mailed after booths are assigned. City State Zip Country 2. We agree to remit the full tabletop rental fee to NPRA. We understand that space cannot be assigned until all tabletop Contract Representative fees have been paid in full to NPRA. We also understand that any balance due to NPRA from previous exhibitions will prevent E-mail us from obtaining tabletop space for the 2005 Clean Fuels Challenge. Telephone On-site Representative (if different from Contract Representative) Exhibitor Authorized Signature Application cannot be processed without signature. E-mail **Method of Payment** Telephone □ Check Enclosed (US Dollars only) Fax □ Credit Card Who should receive the conference materials? □ VISA □ MasterCard □ American Express (details/order forms/etc.): ☐ Contract Rep. ☐ On-Site Rep. NPRA Member Co. ? □ Yes □ No Credit Card Number Exp. Date If yes, name of company (see www.npra.org if unsure) **Tabletop Selection** Name of person on card (Please print) List first six tabletop choices: Signature (Required; authorizing charge & acknowledging cancellation policy)  $2nd_{-}$ 3rd 6th 5th (requested locations cannot be guaranteed) □ Special Requirements: **NPRA Official Use Only** Date Received Application Number Competitors you wish to be separated from: (by company, not category / tabletop separation is not guaranteed): Table Assigned Points Amount Paid Check Number Date