**Midwest-Canada Relations Committee**

Sunday, July 21, and Monday, July 22, 2019
Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile

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**Agenda**

*Minister Kelvin Goertzen, Manitoba, and Representative Bob Cupp, Ohio, Co-Chairs
Sen. Jim Stamas, Michigan, and Speaker Mark Docherty, Saskatchewan, Co-Vice Chairs*

**Sunday, July 21**

**Committee Meeting | Addison Room, Fourth Floor**

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **Welcome and introductions**

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **The U.S.-Canada Border: Policies and Programs to Speed Up Movement of People and Goods**

*Auto manufacturing is the most often cited example of cross-border supply chains between Canada and the U.S., but this is not the only industry where businesses in both countries make things together. Companies depend on receiving components quickly, since to hold down costs, they do not keep large inventories. Dr. Anderson will discuss some of the ongoing efforts by both federal governments to streamline the border crossing process, especially for known travelers and exporters, and will talk about what other challenges need to be addressed.*

*Dr. Bill Anderson, Director, Cross-Border Institute, University of Windsor*

11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Business Session**

- The Québec-Midwest Economic Relationship
  - Jean-François Hould, Québec Government Representative
- Report of the Midwest-Canada Trade Relations and Energy Subcommittees
  - Sen. Karen Tallian, Indiana, Chair, Trade Relations Subcommittee
  - Mr. Dan D’Autremont, MLA, Saskatchewan, Chair, Energy Subcommittee
- Consideration of proposed resolutions
- Other business

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Monday, July 22

Midwest-Canada Relations and Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee-Sponsored Session | Marriott Ballroom, Fourth Floor

2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.  The Impact of Tariffs and Trade Agreements on States, Provinces and Local Communities

Communities of all sizes in the region are closely tied to trade, with their economies dependent on exporting agricultural products and manufactured goods. This session will look at the impact of tariffs in the year since they were first imposed on steel and aluminum imports by the U.S., and the effect of tariffs levied on agriculture and manufacturing in the region in retaliation for the metal tariffs.

Mr. Scott Miller, Senior Advisor, Center for Strategic and International Studies
Ms. Shannon Herzfeld, Corporate Vice President, Archer Daniels Midland Company
Mr. Mathew Wilson, Senior Vice President, Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters

Discussions about trade and the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement will continue during the Midwest-Canada Trade Subcommittee meeting immediately following the joint session. All attendees are welcome to attend.

Midwest-Canada Trade Relations Subcommittee | Indiana Room, Sixth Floor

4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.  The Future of the Proposed U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement

The U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), the proposed accord to replace NAFTA – the existing North American Free Trade Agreement, was signed by the leaders of the U.S., Canada and Mexico in late 2018. It is awaiting approval by federal legislatures in the U.S. and Canada (the Mexican Senate ratified the agreement in June). This session will focus on how the USMCA differs from NAFTA, what the chances for passage are, and what state and provincial legislators can do to make their voices heard.

Moderator: Sen. Karen Tallian, Indiana, Chair, Midwest-Canada Trade Relations Subcommittee

Presenter: Mr. Daniel D. Ujczo, Cross-Border Practice Group Chair, Dickinson Wright PLLC