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Automotive Research Conferences

*Powertrain Strategies for the 21st Century:*
*Advanced Powertrain and Infrastructure Challenges and Opportunities*

Wednesday, July 24, 2013
9am to 4pm

University of Michigan, The Michigan League Ballroom (2nd Floor)
911 North University Avenue, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1265

Conference Agenda

8:30 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00a.m. Welcome
Bruce Belzowski, Assistant Research Scientist, UM Transportation Research Institute, will moderate the conference and discuss results from his recent Powertrain Strategies for the 21st Century survey.

Brendan Jones, Director, Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Strategy at Nissan North America, will talk about his company’s current and future infrastructure strategy for its Nissan Leaf electric vehicle.

Justin Ward, Advanced Powertrain Program Manager, Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America, will discuss his company’s technical progress in hybrids, plug-in hybrids, pure electric, and fuel cell vehicles, as well as some of the infrastructure challenges he sees in the near term.

Break

Mihai Dorobantu, Director – Technology Planning & Government Affairs, Eaton Corporation, will provide an overview of the technologies his company has developed to support manufacturers’ advanced powertrains, especially in terms of infrastructure support.

A.M. Session Q&A (35 minutes)

Noon-1:30 p.m. Lunch Break

1:30pm Matt Sandstrom, Clean Energy Coalition’s Mobility Division Manager and the U.S. Department of Energy’s Detroit Area Clean Cities Coordinator, will discuss current advanced technology infrastructure projects in Michigan and throughout the U.S. He will also discuss upcoming infrastructure initiatives that will support the growth of new powertrain technologies.
Jon Coleman, Fleet and Sustainability Manager, Ford Motor Company, will discuss his views about the issues surrounding the introduction of CNG into fleet and retail vehicles.

Break

Michael Delaney, Manager, Strategic Initiatives, DTE Energy, will talk about his company’s past, current, and future strategies to provide the necessary infrastructure support for plug-in hybrids and pure electric vehicles.

P.M. Session Q&A (40 minutes)

4:00 p.m. Conference Adjourns

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