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News Affecting the Wisconsin, Iowa and Central Illinois Minority Supplier Development Council

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AT&T Supplier Diversity Symposium

20 September 2011 - Milwaukee, Wisconsin

The goal of the 2011 AT&T Wisconsin Supplier Diversity Symposium, themed "Making the Connection," is to recognize, promote and further the relationships among AT&T Wisconsin, the minority business community, and AT&T Wisconsin Prime Suppliers.



Scott VanderSanden
President, AT&T
Wisconsin

The AT&T Wisconsin Supplier Diversity Symposium will provide a forum for minority business owners and buying decision makers to gain insight into the issues affecting AT&T Wisconsin's current business and regulatory environments.

Additionally, an exhibit area will showcase a wide variety of opportunities for minority businesses to provide products and services to AT&T Wisconsin and AT&T Wisconsin Prime Suppliers.

The Symposium will also offer a unique opportunity to network with other minority business owners, buying decision makers and business resource organizations.

For more information and online registration, please visit <http://attwisconsinds2011.eventbrite.com>.

Cargill Supplier Diversity Symposium

4 October 2011 - Wayzata, Minnesota



John Taylor
Director of Supplier
Diversity, Cargill

The Cargill Supplier Diversity Symposium provides a forum for minority business owners and buying decision makers to gain insight into the issues that affect Cargill's current business environment and supplier diversity initiatives. This year's event will include a buyer's forum that will allow minority-owned businesses to meet with Cargill buyers and selected contractors.

Calendar of Events

[Click here](#) to view the entire 2011-12 Calendar of Events.

September 2011

- 8 September 2011**
We Energies Supplier Diversity Symposium - Milwaukee, WI
- 15 September 2011**
Chrysler Matchmaker Event - Auburn Hills, MI
- 20 September 2011**
AT&T Supplier Diversity Symposium - Milwaukee, WI

October 2011

- 4 October 2011**
Cargill Supplier Diversity Symposium - Wayzata, MN
- 11 October 2011**
Heart of Illinois Business to Business Symposium - Peoria, IL
- 16-17 October 2011**
The Iowa Black Business Summit 2011 - Des Moines, IA

- 25 October 2011**
Veolia Water Milwaukee/Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District Supplier Diversity Symposium - Milwaukee, WI

- 30 October - 2 November 2011**
NMSDC Conference & Business Opportunity Fair - Atlanta, GA

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This event is product/service specific.

IMPORTANT EVENT INFORMATION

Registration on Cargill's Supplier Diversity portal at <https://app.suppliergateway.com/cargill> is required. No supplier(s) will be admitted or have time scheduled with a buyer without completing the Cargill Supplier Diversity registration BEFORE registering for this event.

Only two (2) representatives from a participating company will be permitted to attend the Symposium AND final attendance and the scheduling appointments are at the discretion of Cargill personnel.

For more information and online event registration, please visit <http://cargillsds2011.eventbrite.com/>.

Heart of Illinois Business to Business Symposium

11 October 2011 - Peoria, Illinois

The Heart of Illinois Business to Business (B2B) Symposium is a business networking activity designed to create new markets for suppliers and new sources for buyers. It is a corporate and minority business exchange.

Designed to enable Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) the opportunity to identify current marketplace needs and appropriate personnel within the area's leading corporations and government agencies, the 2011 Heart of Illinois B2B Symposium also focuses on providing buyers and procurement decision makers the opportunity to identify new competitive sources of services and supplies.

Through a series of focus-group discussions, MBEs are effectively able to market their capabilities and capacities to major corporations and government agencies, and buyers are able to inform MBEs of their procurement processes in a relaxed, personable setting - in one location - in one day.

For more information and registration, please visit one of the following online portals (respectively):

- For MBEs - <http://hoi2011mbe.eventbrite.com>

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- For Corporate Buyers -
<http://hoi2011buyer.eventbrite.com>.

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