



**2019 Annual Meeting
Norfolk Southern Thoroughbred Pavilion
December 2 – 3, 2019**

December 2

5:30 Reception (business casual)
Soho Social
1830 29th Ave South, Ste 160, Homewood, 35209
Restaurant is within walking distance of Aloft hotel

December 3

Norfolk Southern Thoroughbred Pavilion
1400 Norfolk Southern Drive South, Irondale, 35210
Business Casual

7:30 – 8:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:00 Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, Safety Briefing
Joe Arbona, ARA President

8:15 Alabama Short Line Tax Credit
Ryan Pidde, Director
Mickelson & Company

8:45 Alabama Legislative Update
Maeci Walker, Executive Director
Alabama Railway Association

9:00 Update on Mazda Toyota Manufacturing USA
James Reeve, Project Manager
AIDT

9:15 Economic Development & the Importance of Rail Access
Kevin Taylor, Assistant Director
AIDT

9:30 Break

10:00 Growth in the South through Freight Rail
Paul Worley, Rail Practice Leader – U.S. East
Mott MacDonald

10:30 Purchasing and Operations at WATCO
Thomas Holmes, VP of Purchasing & Materials
WATCO Companies

11:00 ARA Business Meeting
Budget Approval, Legislative Agenda

11:30 Adjourn

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