

## NAATS HQ E-Mail Update May 11, 2006

Below is a link to a letter from the DOT Inspector General to the FAA CFO announcing an audit of the current contract to LM.

<http://www.oig.dot.gov/StreamFile?file=/data/pdfdocs/Announltr5-8.pdf>

As this audit unfolds and people from the DOT Inspector General's office come out into the field I know you'll all cooperate and help in any way you can.

All NAATS members will be getting a mailing in the next couple of days and it has nothing to do with the NLRB election slated for sometime in June. This mailing has to do with the NAGE convention coming up in September 2006.

The NAGE convention is a delegate convention and we need to decide two issues, the first is whether or not to send delegate(s) and if the membership decides to send delegate(s) to the convention there will then be nomination of delegates and a vote in a separate mailing.

This is a great opportunity to see how a delegate convention is run from start to finish. One thing I've heard over the years is how members want to see NAATS have a delegate convention. We have the opportunity to witness and set up our constitution for a delegate convention with first hand experience. Department of Labor (DOL) is supervising the election and your ballots need to be returned to the supervisor in New Haven, CT. There is a stamped, addressed envelope in your mailing or you can simply fax the form to Mr. Kerry McEntee at the number listed on the ballot. So to recap, you need to vote yes or no, and if you vote yes and have a delegate in mind please include that information on the bottom of the ballot. If the vote comes back no, that will be the end of the process.

The delegate would go to the NAGE convention September 10-14, 2006 in Las Vegas and stay at the RIO Hotel. This person(s) would be funded by NAATS, but would need to use leave to go. There is also an expectation that the delegates would be available for the entire meeting to vote on issues to include the NAGE election of officers. It would be great to have someone that would take notes on how things were run so we could learn from it. To be eligible to be nominated as a delegate, you need to have been a dues paying member for the past 12 months.

If you go to [www.nage.org](http://www.nage.org) web page about half way down the main page you'll see the links for the convention call which describes the process in detail, take a look when you have a moment.

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