



# NORTHEAST ASSOCIATION OF RAIL SHIPPERS

## NEARS BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION

The leadership and decision making body of the Northeast Association of Rail Shippers (NEARS) is the Board of Directors. They are given this power by the organizations' bylaws. To be a member of the NEARS Board of Directors, one must fill out this application, and be voted on by a majority of the members, in accordance to the bylaws of the organization.

Being a member of the NEARS Board of Directors is a big responsibility. Each member will have duties, tasks and assignments that must be completed to insure the success of NEARS. It is understood that we are all professionals, and have careers, other responsibilities and other commitments. Maintaining the balance between the responsibilities of NEARS and other responsibilities is key, and is not to be taken lightly. Thank you for your interest in being a member of the NEARS Board of Directors.

The Executive Director of NEARS is also involved in the leadership and decision making of NEARS, and is the only paid position of the organization. NEARS also has an Executive Committee that helps guide the organization. These positions are appointed through a process that is separate from the Board of Directors' process.

**Please fill out the following application and return it to the NEARS Executive Director**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

IS YOUR COMPANY A: SHIPPER RAILROAD RAIL CAR LEASING COMPANY OTHER (CIRCLE ONE)

HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY SERVED ON THE NEARS BOARD OF DIRECTORS?: YES NO (CIRCLE ONE)

IF YES, WHEN AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?: \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ANY OF THE OTHER REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (SEARS, SWARS, PNWARS, MARS)? YES NO (CIRCLE ONE)

IF YES, WHEN AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU BEEN ATTENDING NEARS' EVENTS?: \_\_\_\_\_



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DO YOU BELONG TO ANY OTHER TRADE ORGANIZATIONS? YES NO (CIRCLE ONE)

IF YES, PLEASE LIST THE ORGANIZATIONS YOU BELONG TO, AND IN WHAT CAPACITY: \_\_\_\_\_

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HOW DO YOU FEEL NEARS WOULD BENEFIT FROM YOUR INVOLVEMENT ON THE BOARD? \_\_\_\_\_

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WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING ARE YOUR SKILLS, EXPERIENCE OR INTERESTS?  
(CIRCLE AS MANY AS APPLY, AND ADD ANY ADDITIONAL THAT APPLY TO YOU THAT YOU WISH TO MENTION)

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|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)   | MODERATING PANELS      | PRINT DESIGN |
| DEVELOPING CONFERENCES        | CHECK-IN/REGISTRATION  | OTHER: _____ |
| MARKETING & ADVERTISING       | STATISTICS             | OTHER: _____ |
| BOOKING/COORDINATING SPEAKERS | FINDING MEETING VENUES | OTHER: _____ |

PLEASE TELL US ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE: \_\_\_\_\_

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PLEASE SIGN AND DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

(APPLICANT SIGNATURE AND DATE)

PLEASE RETURN THIS APPLICATION TO:  
MR. JOE GEARIN, NEARS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, 34 PARK RIDGE AVENUE, RYE, NH 03870  
THANK YOU!