

# MONTANA Petroleum Marketers & Convenience Store Association Report



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## Hello from MONTANA!

*As the summer winds down*, we hope everyone had the chance to get and out and enjoy their favorite activities. Now the mornings are getting crisp, and fall is in the air. The kids are back in school, and routine is returning.

Though the legislative session wrapped up in May, we continue to work with several legislative interim committees. There were several bills passed during the session that require follow-up through the process of rule making and implementation.

As mentioned in my last article, the MPMCSA Board of Directors welcomed two new members at our annual meeting in June.



**Luci Tuttle** is the store director for 40 Cenex Zip Trip locations across Montana, South Dakota, North Dakota, Denver, Nebraska, and Minnesota. She began in the business as an assistant manager and has worked hard for her achievements. She attributes her success to loyalty and hard work. Luci is married with two children, six grandchildren, and one spoiled dog. When she is not at work she enjoys boating and camping. We are very excited for the experience and perspective that Luci will bring to our organization.

**Elisa B Toms** grew up on a 6th generation-family farm in Iowa. She came West to go to college and earned a BS degree in Accounting & Business from DSU in Dickinson, ND. Her fuel experience began with Mort Distributing, Inc.



back in 2005 in Glendive MT, and she has been here ever since. Her favorite part of the petroleum industry is how it combines numbers, agriculture, and people. Away from work she enjoys being outside, woodworking, cooking, and time with family. We are excited to add both of these ladies to our board and I look forward to working with them and utilizing their different perspectives in the future. Please join me in welcoming them to the MPMCSA Board of Directors.

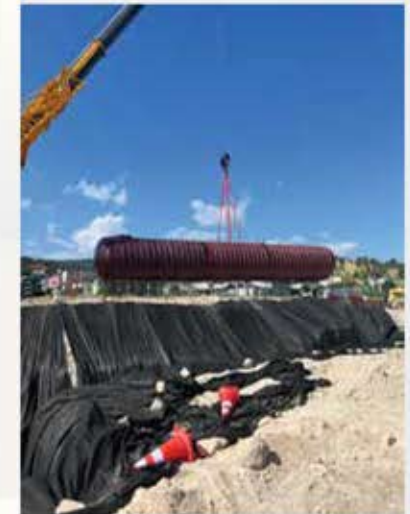
In June, a delegation representing MPMCSA traveled to Park City, Utah to attend the WPMA summer board meeting. This was a great opportunity to debrief with our colleagues after the completion of the 2023 Montana Legislative session. The collaborative work across the state associations is an invaluable resource to protect the interests of the industry.

I recently had the opportunity to visit a job site and watch the installation of several tanks. It was wonderful to spend time with several of our industry partners. There is no substitute for firsthand experience to help enhance understanding and perspective



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to the unique challenges that our industry faces. I plan to circle back in the next few weeks and watch as the process continues to move closer to completion. Having the



ability to participate and ask questions directly to the individuals that are completing the work is invaluable. The relationships we have with our members and industry partners is what makes MPMCSA so valuable for the industry in Montana. We continue to strengthen our knowledge and understanding of the challenges that face these types of builds. MPMCSA continues to work to ensure that we have developed a good foundation with all entities, including the different state regulatory departments.

MPMCSA continues to work with our national association, Energy Marketers of America. We will have a delegation of MPMCSA members traveling to Georgia this fall to meet with marketer members from across the US. These meetings are extremely important to help understand what is happening in our industry and learn from others' experiences. NACS will also be meeting at the end of that week and I plan to attend and participate in many of the industry teaching and learning sessions.

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