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Security and Resilience Seminar Series for Marketers

EMA's participation in the newly created Public Private Partnership (P3) National Advisory Council (P3NAC) permits EMA marketers to join a series of seminars designed to help strengthen your business security and resilience. The three-part program, the [2026 P3 Security and Resilience Seminar Series](#) brings together government and industry professionals to explore how organizations can strengthen safety, continuity of operations, and emergency communications in an evolving risk landscape.

This series focuses on threats, which increasingly challenge physical security, digital integrity, and operational resilience. Guided by the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency's (CISA) "Insider Threat Mitigation Guide", each 90-minute session equips private and public sector partners with practical strategies to identify behavioral indicators, reinforce layered defenses, and foster a culture of vigilance. Please note that **attendance is capped at 1,000**, so **sign up NOW** if you are interested. Following is an overview of each session:

SEMINAR 1 — JUNE 4, 2026

Mitigating Physical Security Risks by Creating Vigilant Workplaces

10am PT / 1pm ET

Learn strategies for controlling access, monitoring, and building awareness. With a focus on how physical safeguards and employee engagement can reduce threats.

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/2026P3Seminar1>

SEMINAR 2 — JULY 9, 2026

Strengthening Cyber Defense Against Insider Threats: Building a Culture of Digital

10am PT / 1pm ET

Vigilance Learn how to identify digital behavioral indicators, implement layered protections, and empower teams.

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/2026P3Seminar2>

SEMINAR 3 — AUGUST 13, 2026

Responsible AI Integration: Enhancing Preparedness and Implementation

10am PT / 1pm ET

Explore how AI can support insider threat programs through anomaly detection and risk analysis. The session focuses on integrating AI tools into a comprehensive mitigation strategy.

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/2026P3Seminar3>

The following information provided by:
EMA-Energy Marketers of America



Inside the Beltway Update

The BUILD America 250 Act, has been approved by the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee. Rep. Sam Graves (R-MO), chair of the Committee and Rep. Rick Larsen (D-WA), Committee Ranking Member, said they look forward to moving the bill to the House floor in the near future and to it passing prior to September 30th, when the current reauthorization expires. Despite the bipartisan start in the House, several hurdles threaten the September 30th deadline. There are significant policy disagreements between House and Senate leadership. Mainly, provisions regarding proposed fees on electric vehicles and the repeal of climate-related programs complicate a timely deal. The legislative scope of the act is also broad, involving multiple committees of jurisdiction including Senate Finance, Banking, and Commerce, as well as House Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce, the latter of which has already marked up sections on motor vehicle safety.

As the bill moves forward, key debates are expected to center on the Highway Trust Fund's funding shortfalls, permitting reforms, and the role of climate initiatives. Tensions also exist regarding rail safety legislation, which was added to the House

bill via amendment but faces opposition from Chairman Graves. On the Senate side, EPW Chair Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV) has outlined principles that prioritize accelerating permitting and eliminating duplicative programs. Additionally, Senate Finance Ranking Member Ron Wyden (D-OR) said he considered the proposed fee on electric vehicles and hybrids “off the table” and EPW Ranking Member Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI) is also against the fee. Despite these challenges, the historically bipartisan nature of such reauthorizations suggests that the current House and Senate efforts will eventually be reconciled into a final package but the ability to meet the September 30th deadline remains in question, and negotiations will need to move quickly.

EMA Testifies Before IRS on Section 45Z Clean Fuel Production Credit

On May 27, the Energy Marketers of America (EMA) submitted oral testimony before the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) urging the agency to finalize its proposed Section 45Z Clean Fuel Production Credit rules in a manner that ensures the credit reaches the full fuels distribution network — including the independent marketers, distributors, and retailers who are essential to getting renewable fuels to American consumers. EMA's testimony focused on two key issues: the "suitable for use" standard for qualifying transportation fuels and the qualified sale criteria governing credit eligibility.

On the first issue, EMA commended the IRS for proposing a definition grounded in practical and commercial fitness for use — a standard consistent with longstanding excise tax regulatory principles. However, EMA requested the addition of a specific regulatory example clarifying that use of a qualifying fuel in a heating oil application does not disqualify it from 45Z credit eligibility. Renewable heating oil is a meaningful and growing low-carbon fuel pathway, and an explicit example would provide producers, blenders, and distributors with the certainty needed to continue investing in this market.

On the second issue, EMA strongly supported the IRS' decision to remove the "use as a fuel" limitation from the definition of "sold for use in a trade or business" — a change that reflects the commercial reality of fuel distribution. A credit regime conditioned on "use as a fuel" at the point of first sale would have arbitrarily excluded intermediate transactions.

"EMA has been actively engaged in the 45Z rulemaking process to ensure our marketers are not excluded from the credit by design. The fact of the matter is that fuel moves through a series of intermediate commercial hands before reaching the ultimate consumer, and our marketers play a critical role in that supply chain. The final rules must reflect that reality," said EMA President and COO Rob Underwood.

Taken together, EMA argued, these policy choices will determine whether Section 45Z delivers on its full potential as a broad-based renewable energy incentive or becomes a narrowly confined benefit that weakens the role of downstream stakeholders, those closest to consumers.

[EMA's full written comments are available here](#)

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WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- How to create a culture of psychological safety
- The importance of training for managers and staff
- The benefits of comprehensive support systems
- How to develop postvention protocols

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Business Owners/Operators
- Risk Managers
- Operations Managers
- HR Professionals

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Aug 5-7, 2026 IPM&CSA (Idaho) Convention, Coeur d'Alene Resort, Coeur d'Alene, ID
Aug 18-19, 2026 NMPMA (New Mexico) Convention, Sandia Resort, Albuquerque, NM
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