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Seventh Annual National Forklift Safety Day
To Be A Virtual Event

(WASHINGTON, DC) – Due to the impact and challenges that COVID-19 has had on our nation, the seventh annual National Forklift Safety Day will be a virtual event this year. The event will take place on June 9th, 2020 at 9:00 AM EDT. The event serves as an opportunity for forklift manufacturers to highlight the safe use of forklifts, the value of operator training, and the need for daily equipment checks.

Open to everyone, the event will be available for viewing by visiting the Industrial Truck Association’s (ITA) website (www.indtrk.org) or DC Velocity’s website (www.dcvelocity.com). The format will remain the same as past years events with presentations from government representatives, safety experts, and industry representatives.

The speakers and their general topics for National Forklift Safety Day 2020 include:

- Brian Feehan, President, Industrial Truck Association – Moderator
- Jay Gusler, ITA Chairman of the Board & Executive Vice President of Operations, Mitsubishi Caterpillar Forklift America Inc. (MCFA) – Welcome & Overview
- Loren Sweatt, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) – OSHA Updates/Resources
- Chuck Leon, Technical Specialist, Workplace Safety and Prevention Services (WSPS) – Pedestrian Safety
- Scott Bicksler, Lead Safety Manager, Aerotek – Temporary Employee Safety
- Chuck Moratz, NFSD Task Force Chair & Senior Vice President, Global Engineering, CLARK Material Handling Company – Forklift Industry Safety

“ITA has been the voice of the industrial truck industry for more than half a century,” said Brian Feehan, president of ITA. “We understand there is a critical need for effective forklift operator training, and ITA’s National Forklift Safety Day is meant to keep that discussion at the forefront year-after-year.”

As National Forklift Safety Day nears, more information and updates will be made available on the ITA’s website at www.indtrk.org/national-forklift-safety-day.

About ITA: For more than 65 years, the Industrial Truck Association has been the leading organization of industrial truck manufacturers and suppliers of component parts and accessories that conduct business in the United States, Canada and Mexico. Based in Washington, D.C., ITA maintains an influential voice in international standards development for the industry. The organization also advances engineering
practices to promote safe products, disseminates statistical marketplace information, and provides industry forums for learning and networking. Visit [www.inditrk.org](http://www.inditrk.org).

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