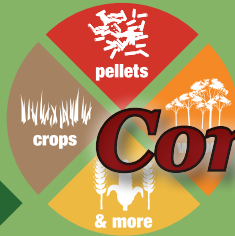


# HEATING THE MIDWEST

WITH RENEWABLE BIOMASS  
Harris, Michigan



Island Resort & Casino  
and Conference Center

## Conference & Expo

October 11 - 13, 2016

This event will bring together leaders of the woody and agricultural biomass industry interested in supporting and expanding the use of biomass for heat and combined heat and power in the Midwest!



### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11 OPTIONAL PRE-CONFERENCE TOUR

#### Tours

- Messersmith Manufacturing Plant
- Verso Corporation CHP Boiler
- Pinecrest Medical Care Facility
- North Central Area School
- Commercial Logging Job



### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12 AND THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13 KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS, SPEAKERS AND EXPO

#### *"Adopting Renewable Biomass Heat: Investing in Tomorrow's Sustainable Communities"*

#### Keynote Speakers

- Maura Adams, Program Director, Northern Forest Center: "Regional Impacts of Advanced Wood Heat in New England."
- Charlie Niebling, Innovative Natural Resource Solutions, LLC: "How Far Have We Already Come, and Where Do We Go From Here?"

**Biomass Heating Expo** (also open to the general public)  
Indoor and outdoor exposition areas where 30+ vendors, businesses and organizations will demonstrate the latest in biomass technologies, information and support.



FOR REGISTRATION, PROGRAM, SPONSOR & EXHIBITOR  
INFORMATION:

[www.heatingthemidwest.org](http://www.heatingthemidwest.org)

## PLENARY SESSIONS

- Breaking Through Market Barriers
- Defeating the Biomass Blues



## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12- EVENING SESSION

### The Ins and Outs of Commercial Biomass Boilers and Handling Systems

- Commercial Pellet Systems & Pellet Storage (6:00 PM - 6:45 PM)
- Commercial Chip Systems & Fuel Handling (6:45 PM - 7:30 PM)



## BREAKOUT SESSIONS

- Way Beyond Your Grandfather's Wood Stove
- Going Beyond the Backyard Wood Pile
- Finding Value Beyond the BTU
- Incentivizing and Financing the Future



## REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND RATES

Pre-Conference Biomass Facilities Tour \$50 (limited availability)  
Conference and Expo: \$220 (\$270 after Sept. 9, 2016)  
Co-Host Registration: \$220 for members of co-host organizations  
Conference and Expo Student Rate: \$75



## CONFERENCE LOCATION

The conference will be held at the Island Resort & Casino and Conference Center, located in Harris, MI. Accommodations are available for a special conference rate of \$75/night (double/queen and king) until Sept. 26, 2016. To reserve your room please call the hotel direct at 1-877-475-7375 and mention "Heating the Midwest Group Block #12C4NW."

