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# GCCA Update on COVID-19

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# Agenda

- Regulatory and Governmental Updates
- Cold Storage Warehouse Space
- Ozone
- GCCA Resources
- Upcoming Virtual Meetings
- Q&A

# White House Plan to Reopen America

## OPENING UP AMERICA AGAIN

### CRITERIA

#### Symptom

Downward trajectory of influenza-like illnesses reported within a 14-day period

#### Cases

Downward trajectory of documented cases within a 14-day period

#### Hospitals

Treat all patients without crisis

#### AND

Downward trajectory of covid-like syndromic cases reported within a 14-day period

#### OR

Downward trajectory of positive tests as a percent of total tests within a 14-day period (flat or increasing volume of tests)

#### AND

Robust testing program in place for at-risk healthcare workers, including emerging antibody testing



## OPENING UP AMERICA AGAIN

### PHASE 1

EMPLOYERS TO TELEWORK WHERE POSSIBLE, AND MINIMIZE NON-ESSENTIAL TRAVEL

### PHASE 2

SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, BARS, GYMS AND LARGE VENUES CAN REOPEN WITH PROPER SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES. NON-ESSENTIAL TRAVEL CAN RESUME

### PHASE 3

CHURCHES, BARS, GYMS AND LARGE VENUES CAN REOPEN WITH LIMITED SOCIAL DISTANCING. VISITS TO SENIOR CARE FACILITIES AND HOSPITALS CAN RESUME.

# Cold Chain Industry Represented on White House Economic Revival Group

The third-party logistics industry is represented on The White House's Transportation Economic Revival Group named recently by the Trump Administration: International Refrigerated Transportation Association (IRTA) member J.B. Hunt will serve.



# DHS Releases Version 3 of CISA Critical Workers Guide

- Version 3 released April 17, 2020
- This document gives guidance to state, local, tribal, and territorial jurisdictions and the private sector on defining essential critical infrastructure workers
- Cold chain industry (warehousing, transportation and construction) is represented

# Priority Access to Face Masks

- GCCA working with partners to urge government to give priority access to essential businesses in the food industry.
- Food and Agriculture Sector Council compiled list of 40 distributors as potential sources for PPE
- Distributors have been alerted to give priority access to food companies
- FEMA also working with manufacturers to commission cloth masks for distribution.
- GCCA sharing industry information with FEMA to identify company information for eventual shipment of free cloth masks.

# FEMA Guidance on PPE in Non-Healthcare Settings

- Guidance summarizes how organizations should consider and manage their personal protective equipment (PPE) needs while ensuring the protection of workers.
- Recognizes need for critical infrastructure workers
- Strategies for PPE preservation
- Considerations for acquiring PPE during shortages
  - Continue using commercial channels as first approach
  - If shortages are critical and private sector cannot supply – contact local or state emergency management agencies to request



# Temporary Halt on Immigration

- Trump Executive Order to largely stop immigration for next 60 days.
- Can be altered or extended.
- Exceptions:
  - Essential workers, including medical personnel, spouses and children of U.S. citizens, members of the Armed Forces, individuals designated by law enforcement
  - Would **NOT** apply to seasonal farm workers, who would seek seasonal guest worker visas.
- Note: DHS has also extended prohibition of non-essential travel at Canadian and Mexican borders through May 20<sup>th</sup>

# USDA Coronavirus Food Assistance Program

- \$19 billion immediate relief program designed to provide critical support to farmers and ranchers, maintain the integrity of our food supply chain
- Provides \$16 billion in direct support based on actual losses for agricultural producers where prices and market supply chains have been impacted and will assist producers with additional adjustment and marketing costs resulting from lost demand and short-term oversupply for the 2020 marketing year caused by COVID-19
- USDA will partner with regional and local distributors, whose workforce has been significantly impacted by the closure of many restaurants, hotels, and other food service entities, to purchase \$3 billion in fresh produce, dairy, and meat.
- GCCA engaging with USDA regarding potential opportunities for our industry to support the program.

# GCCA Signs SBLC Letter to Congress



- Letter urges Congress to secure additional funding for the PPP and EIDL
- Additionally asks for expansion of PPP eligibility for 501 ©(6) organizations

# Latest Coronavirus Response Bill

- Senate passed latest package by voice vote on 4/21/2020
- Expected to be an interim funding bill as Congress negotiates a larger “phase 4” package in the coming weeks
- Latest response bill is expected to:
  - Provide an additional \$310 billion in funding for PPP loans
  - Provide an additional \$10 billion in funding for Small Business Administration (SBA) Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program
  - Provide the SBA with an additional \$2.1 billion in funding to help administer COVID-19 response programs
  - Provide \$25 billion for COVID-19 testing, nearly half of which would be distributed to states, localities, territories and American Indian tribes.

# Action Alert: Supporting our Heroes Legislation

- GCCA is working with partners across the food industry on a proposal to provide relief and recognition for critical infrastructure workers supporting the food supply chain. We strongly encourage you to visit <https://p2a.co/QgCg5WN> and urge your legislators to provide tax relief for our COVID-19 Heroes!

Urge Congress to Support our COVID-19 Heroes!

Title \* ▼

Full Name \*

Address \*

Zip \* city and state not required

Phone \*

Email \*

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# Cold Storage Warehouse Space

- Is your warehouse full and you require overflow space?
- Do you have capacity at your warehouse?
- Contact GCCA's Director of Membership and International Programs Alice McKinnon ([amckinnon@gcca.org](mailto:amckinnon@gcca.org))– we are working to match member warehouses who require extra capacity with those who have capacity at their facilities



# Using Ozone for Disinfection

- Is your warehouse using ozone machines for disinfection, or have you thought of doing so?
- Is your company interested in helping kickstart a study to quantify the effectiveness of using ozone for disinfection of COVID-19?
- Contact Erin Grady [egrady@gcca.org](mailto:egrady@gcca.org)– we are working to match interested parties with one another to move this project forward



# GCCA Resource: Coronavirus Website

- In an effort to provide you with the latest updates and resources regarding this challenge, we created a clearinghouse page which is being monitored and updated daily:

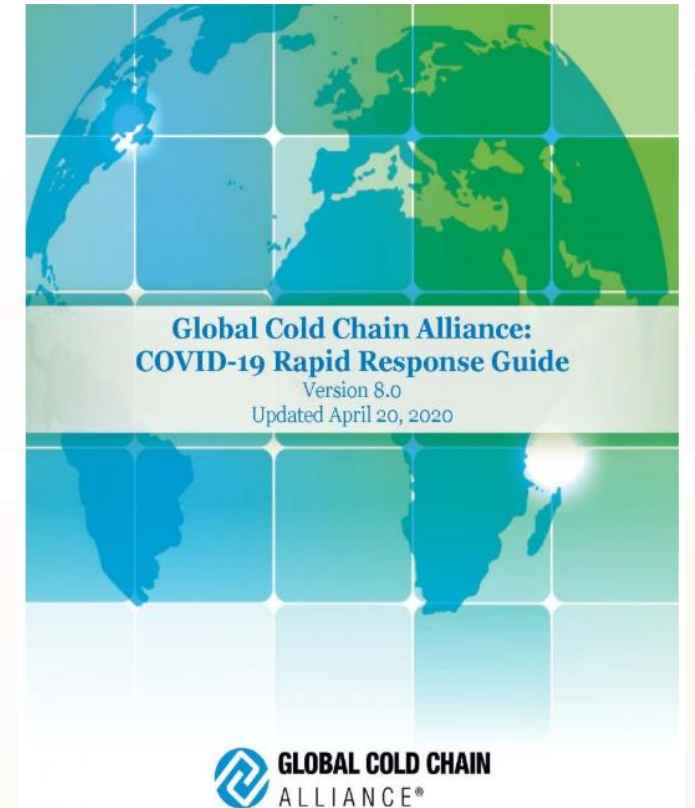
[https://www.gcca.org/resources/responding-coronavirus.](https://www.gcca.org/resources/responding-coronavirus)

Get Tools and Information in our Coronavirus Webportal>>







# GCCA Resource: COVID-19 Rapid Response Guide

- GCCA COVID-19 Rapid Response Guide Version 8.0 (Released April 20, 2020)
  - Background
  - Responding
  - Resources
- Additional information and printable/shareable resources added
- Continuing to update as needed; new versions to be released approximately weekly



# GCCA Resource: Food Supply Chain Employee ID Template

Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce	
<p>INSERT COMPANY LOGO</p> <p>PHOTO</p> <p>FIRST NAME LAST NAME</p> <p>Company Name</p> <p>Facility Address Line 1 Facility City, State Zip United States</p> <p><b>Designated Essential Critical Infrastructure Worker by U.S. Department of Homeland Security CISA</b></p> <p> <b>GLOBAL COLD CHAIN ALLIANCE®</b></p>	<p><b>FOOD AND AGRICULTURE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Workers supporting groceries, pharmacies, convenience stores, and other retail (including unattended and vending) that sells human food, animal/pet food and pet supply, and beverage products, including retail customer support service and information technology support staff necessary for online orders, pickup and delivery.</li><li>Restaurant carry-out and quick serve food operations, including dark kitchen and food prep centers, and carry-out and delivery food employees.</li><li>Food manufacturer employees and their supplier employees—to include those employed in food ingredient production and processing facilities; livestock, poultry, seafood slaughter facilities; pet and animal feed processing facilities; human food facilities producing by-products for animal food; beverage production facilities; and the production of food packaging.</li><li>Farmers, farm workers, and agribusiness support services to include those employed in auction and sales; grain and oilseed handling, processing and distribution; animal food, feed, and ingredient production, packaging, and distribution; manufacturing, packaging, and distribution of veterinary drugs; truck delivery and transport; farm and fishery labor needed to produce our food supply domestically and for export.</li><li>Farmers, farm workers, support service workers, and their supplier employees to include those engaged in producing and harvesting field crops; commodity inspection; fuel ethanol facilities; biodiesel and renewable diesel facilities; storage facilities; and other agricultural inputs.</li><li>Employees and firms supporting the distribution of food, feed, and beverage and ingredients used in these products, including warehouse workers, vendor-managed inventory controllers and blockchain managers.</li><li>Workers supporting the sanitation and pest control of all food manufacturing processes and operations from wholesale to retail.</li><li>Employees engaged in the manufacture and maintenance of equipment and other infrastructure necessary for agricultural production and distribution.</li></ul> <p><b>TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Workers supporting the distribution of food, pharmaceuticals (including materials used in radioactive drugs) and other medical materials, fuels, chemicals needed for water or water treatment and energy. Maintenance and operation of essential highway infrastructure, including roads, bridges, and tunnels (e.g., traffic operations centers and moveable bridge operators).</li><li>Employees of firms providing services, supplies, and equipment that enable warehouse and operations, including cooling, storing, packaging, and distributing products for wholesale or retail sale or use. Includes cold- and frozen-chain logistics for food and critical biologic products.</li><li>Warehouse operators, including vendors and support personnel critical for business continuity (including HVAC &amp; electrical engineers; security personnel; and janitorial staff) and customer service for essential functions.</li><li>Employees supporting or enabling transportation functions, including truck drivers, bus drivers, dispatchers, maintenance and repair technicians, warehouse workers, truck stop and rest area workers, Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) employees, towing/recovery services, roadside assistance workers, intermodal transportation personnel, and workers who maintain and inspect infrastructure (including those that require cross-jurisdiction travel).</li></ul>
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# GCCA Resource: WFLO Scientific Advisory Council

- Member-only resource
- Recently Submitted Questions
  - Is it safe for our employees to unload a recently arrived shipping container from a foreign country?

**What is the urgency of your request? \***

- Urgent
- Somewhat Urgent
- Not Urgent

**Please describe your inquiry with as much detail as possible. \***

# GCCA Resource: Online Community

- A place to ask questions of your colleagues and share information that may be helpful
- <http://community.gcca.org/home>
- Forums for 3PL providers, Human Resources, Construction & Engineering and more

## 3PL Supply Chain Forum Settings

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### What are your questions about COVID-19?



Catharine Perry yesterday

[You might have seen the GCCA member email that went out today about what the ass](#)

1. What are your questions about COVID-19?



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# Virtual Membership Meeting

- IARW-WFLO Membership Meeting: May 7<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am ET



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# QUESTIONS?

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