

MTC Uniformity Committee

Minutes of the Meeting – Denver, Colorado July 30, 2024 (DRAFT)

I. <u>Welcome, Introductions, Initial Public Comment & Opening Remarks of the Chair</u>

Chair Laurie McElhatton (California) – welcomed the committee members and members of the public on behalf of the Commission and the Vice Chair, Phil Skinner (Idaho). She then asked whether there was any initial public comment. There was none.

Laurie then gave some initial comments on the committee's process noting that the committee is open to all states who wish to participate. And while the committee often operates somewhat informally, when any formal action is needed, that action will generally take the form of a motion by a state participant and then a vote of the states here and online. On minor matters the motion may be deemed to pass without objection.

But ordinarily, when we're just having discussion, the assumption is that the speaker is not speaking officially on behalf of their state, or if it's a member of the public, on behalf of their employer or client—unless they say otherwise. We want participants and members of the public to feel free to share their experiences or ask questions without worrying that what they say will be treated as some type of official statement on behalf of their state or their employer.

II. <u>Annual Approval of Committee Charter & Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of April</u> 30, 2024.

The committee charter and the minutes of the April 30, 2024 meeting were both approved without objection.

III. <u>Presentation – Making the Most of Meetings</u>

Ray Langenberg (Texas and Chair of the MTC Litigation Committee) gave a brief presentation on making the most of meetings. [SEE PRESENTATION]

IV. <u>TCJA and State Taxes</u>

Bruce Fort, MTC, gave a presentation on the important aspects of the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, and what states should know about how the TCJA altered the determination of domestic taxable income. [SEE PRESENTATION AND ARTICLE]

V. <u>Digital Products - Panel and Report</u>

[SEE PRESENTATION AND OUTLINE AND PROJECT PAGE]

The work group studying sales tax on digital products had a panel discussion between the MTC, the Federation of Tax Administrators, and the Streamlined group about how these

groups are working together on issues affecting the application of tax to digital products. They also noted that MTC staff and others are attending meetings of the National Conference of State Legislatures which is also studying related issues.

After the panel discussion, the work group chair, Tim Jennrich (Washington), and vice chair, Mia Strong (Louisiana), along with MTC staff—Nancy Prosser, Jonathan White, and Helen Hecht, gave a report on the proposed outline of the section of the white paper on the issue of bundling. There was a brief discussion of the issues to be covered in this outline and a suggestion that it also cover non-fungible tokens and similar items. There was no objection from the committee to proceed with drafting this section of the white paper.

VI. <u>State Roundtable</u>

States in attendance gave brief reports on developments of interest in their states.

VII. <u>Partnership Project Report</u>

[SEE PRESENTATION AND PROJECT PAGE]

The work group chair, Laurie McElhatton (California) began the work group report noting that the group continues to build on the pass research and discussion. She then turned it over to MTC staff—Chris Barber, Jenn Stosberg, and Helen Hecht to talk about the work they are doing in identifying issues with the approach to sourcing income in complex partnership structures and especially the use of "blended apportionment" where factors of the partnership are included in the apportionment formula of the partners.

VIII. Sourcing Regulations Review Project Report

[SEE STAFF MEMO AND DRAFT AND PROJECT PAGE]

The work group chair, Katie Frank (California) and MTC staff—Brian Hamer, Jonathan White, and Helen Hecht provided a report of the activities of the work group which has been focusing on the issue of how to source receipts from ground transportation and the MTC's special industry regulation for trucking companies, which use mileage to source receipts from those transportation services.

The group had approved having staff draft an alternative model for sourcing those receipts to the location of delivery, which some believed is more consistent with the MTC model for market-based sourcing. A draft of that alternative model has been discussed by the work group and members of the public including representatives of industry, have submitted comments opposing the alternative model rule. So the work group asked that the committee provide direction.

There was discussion by both the members of the committee and the public as to whether the alternative delivery model was necessary or should be put forward to the states when most states currently use the mileage rule. There were views expressed on both sides. After this discussion, Michael Fatale (Massachusetts) made a motion that:

"The committee direct the work group to finish the draft alternative rule following the delivery approach and bring it back as a recommendation to the committee for



consideration at its November meeting while, at the same time, maintaining the existing special industry rule for trucking."

Chair McElhatton asked staff to proceed to take a vote. There was a question about how the vote would be counted. Nancy Prosser, MTC general counsel, noted that under the committee charter, the following rules apply:

Official committee, standing subcommittee, or work group decisions are made by motion, with no need for a second. Motions may be offered by any member. A member may indicate that they are not eligible to vote on a motion, or the chair has the option to determine who is eligible, including members of the public who are official members of a work group, when, for example, the matter does not affect that particular state or public member. Each state is entitled to a single vote and members from that state may indicate who will vote for that state. Eligible voters may vote yes, no, or abstain. A motion passes when a majority of eligible to vote. A vote of 8 yes, 3 abstain, and 4 no means the motion passes. A vote of 7 yes, 4 abstain, and 4 no means the motion does not pass. No voting by proxy is allowed.

Staff proceeded to take the vote. The result was:

•	Not eligible	-	<u>6</u>
•	Abstain	-	4
•	No	-	6
•	Yes	-	<u>10</u>
•	Total eligible	-	20

Because the Yes votes did not constitute a majority of those eligible to vote, the motion failed.

IX. <u>New Business</u>

Helen Hecht, MTC, noted that Michele Borens, Eversheds Sutherland, had raised an issue of new business at the Kansas City committee meeting and had followed up afterward with a proposal based on a Colorado regulation and standard form allowing a marketplace seller and marketplace facilitator to document which one had contractually agreed to collect tax so that the other party would then be relieved of an obligation to collect that tax. Richard Cram, MTC, had proposed that he could reconvene the work group that had drafted the white paper on implementation of *Wayfair* and marketplace facilitator reporting in order to review the proposal. Hecht suggested that this could go forward informally and be reported out at the next committee meeting. There was no objection noted.

X. <u>Wrap-Up and Adjourn</u>

Chair McElhatton adjourned the meeting.



Attendee List (Including Remote and In-Person)

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