

# Gateway to Solar Conference: Driving, Parking, and Things to Do

**Conference Location:** 2nd floor of the InterContinental MSP - St. Paul Airport Hotel, 5005 Glumack Drive, Minneapolis, MN 55450

## Directions and Parking:

### Driving Directions:

- **Address:** 5005 Glumack Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55450
- From Highway 5, take the Post Road exit and follow the blue signs
- View the InterContinental's driving instructions [here](#) and a video tutorial [here](#).

View the InterContinental hotel FAQ [here](#) for any additional questions.

### Parking:

- Directly under the skyway, turn left (Airport Service Road) and drive past the hotel.
- At the end of the road, turn right and you will come to a round-about. You will keep turning right to drive up the ramp to the Hotel Parking Ramp. There will be signs directing you where to go.
- Take the elevator to floor 1 and walk across the crosswalk.
- Please visit the MnSEIA Registration Desk on Level 2 for your **complimentary exit voucher** to receive free parking when leaving.



## Getting to the InterContinental From the Airport:

### Direct Hotel Access from Terminal 1 at Gate C25

Walking access to the hotel from Terminal 1 in the airport is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week with your carry-on baggage.

- Make your way to Concourse C
- Find Gate C25 by following the signs to the InterContinental hotel
- There is an access door to the skyway on the left of the TSA gate. You can walk across the skybridge directly into the hotel.
- *If you are flying into Terminal 2 or have checked baggage, see directions for the free shuttle below.*

Currently, the TSA checkpoint for re-entry back into the airport is closed. To return to the airport, please sign up for complimentary shuttle service with the front desk. You can now walk to the terminals as well via the Silver Ramp, which is only a block from the hotel.

### Complimentary Airport Shuttle Transfers:

Complimentary shuttle transportation for guests is available 24-hours a day, seven days a week from Terminal 1 and 2 of the MSP Airport.

- From baggage claim, follow the "Ground Transportation" signage to Shuttles.
- Take the escalators or elevators up one floor to the shuttle pick-up location.
- Call the InterContinental at 612-725-0500 x0 to arrange for pick up.

### Public Transportation:

**From the InterContinental Airport Hotel to the Mall of America** (approx. 15 min trip)

- Use the complimentary hotel shuttle to *Terminal 1 Station #51419*
- From *Terminal 1 Station #51419* take the [Blue Line](#) south to *Mall of America Station #51405*

**From the InterContinental Hotel to Downtown Minneapolis** (approx. 20 min trip)

- Use the complimentary hotel shuttle to *Terminal 1 Station #51419*
- From *Terminal 1 Station #51419* take the [Blue Line](#) north to *Nicollet Mall Station #51423*

### More Information:

- Explore Metro transit fares [here](#).
- View Minneapolis/St.Paul public transportation schedules and maps [here](#).
- Use the Metro transit trip planner [here](#) for customized public transportation info.

## Places to Eat & Drink In and Near the InterContinental

### **Things to do:**

Explore the InterContinental's guide to attractions, dining, and shopping options [here](#).

### **Onsite Restaurants:**

#### **InterContinental Coffee Shop**

- Location: InterContinental Lobby
- Hours: 6:00 AM - 2:00 PM daily
- Serves crafted hot and iced beverages, some grab-and-go items, as well as breakfast and lunch options with a few tables for seating.

#### **La Voya Brasserie**

- Location: First floor of the InterContinental
- Hours: 6:30 AM - 1:00 PM and 5:00 - 10:00 PM daily
- Serves traditional French dishes infused with Minnesotan influences ranging from light, healthy choices to delectable comfort foods. The drink menu includes wine, champagne, and crafted traditional cocktails. View the full menu [here](#).

#### **Bradstreet Craftshouse**

- Location: First floor of the InterContinental
- Hours: 1:00 - 11:00 PM daily
- Serves everything from happy hour noshing to a full dinner or late evening bar snacks with nightcaps. The drink menu includes expertly-crafted cocktails and a wide beer selection. View the full menu [here](#).

### **Nearby Restaurants:**

- [Buca di Beppo St. Paul](#) - 2 miles
- [Axel's Mendota](#) - 4 miles
- [Lucky's 13](#) - 4 miles
- [Highland Grill](#) - 4 miles
- [Town Hall Lanes](#) - 6 miles
- [ie – Italian Eatery](#) - 6 miles
- [Burger and Bottles](#) - 6 miles
- [Union 32 Craft House](#) - 6 miles
- [Matt's Bar & Grill](#) – Home of the original Juicy Lucy - 6 miles

### **Nearby Breweries:**

- [Summit Brewing Company](#) - 4 miles
- [Venn Brewing Company](#) - 4 miles
- [Vine Park Brewing Company](#) - 5 miles
- [Bad Weather Brewing Company](#) - 6 miles
- [Waldmann Brewery](#) - 7 miles