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## **STB APPOINTS SIX MEMBERS TO RAIL ENERGY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The Surface Transportation Board today announced the appointment of six new members to the Board's Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC). The new members are Bryan Boaz, Sean Brewer, Sandra Ellis, Leila Ford, Edward Quinn, and Robert Zmudka. All new members have been appointed to serve three-year terms ending in September 2026.

Mr. Bryan Boaz is the Rail Operations Field Supervisor of ExxonMobil. He is appointed to RETAC as an at-large member.

Mr. Sean Brewer is Assistant Vice President of Rail Fleet Operations for ADM and joins RETAC as a biofuel representative.

Ms. Sandra Ellis is Vice President, Bulk, of Canadian National Railway Company. She will serve the committee as a Class I railroad representative.

Ms. Leila Ford is Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Genesee and Wyoming Railroad Services, Inc. and will serve as a shortline railroad representative.

Mr. Edward Quinn is President and CEO of the R.J. Corman Railroad Group. He is appointed to RETAC as a shortline railroad representative.

Mr. Robert Zmudka is Senior Vice President of Chief Commercial Officer of GATX and will serve as a representative of the private railcar industry.

“The 6 new members of RETAC bring to the committee a range of experience in the industries they represent, and we look forward to hearing their perspectives,” said Chairman Martin Oberman. “I continue to find it essential that the Board bring together varied voices in our stakeholder committees. I look forward to working with these new members to discuss issues related to ensuring the effective and efficient rail transportation of energy resources.”

RETAC was established by the Surface Transportation Board in July 2007 to provide advice and guidance to the Board, and to serve as a forum for discussion of emerging issues regarding

the transportation by rail of energy resources (including coal, ethanol, and other biofuels). RETAC is comprised of approximately 28 voting members, representing a balance of stakeholders with interests in energy transportation by rail, including large and small railroads, coal producers, electric utilities, the biofuels industry, the petroleum industry, the private railcar industry, and labor organizations. The five members of the Board serve as *ex officio* members of RETAC, along with representatives of the Departments of Agriculture, Energy, Transportation, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Meetings, which are open to the public, are held at least twice a year.

More information about RETAC can be located [here](#).

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