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Attention: Mr. Martin J. Oberman and Members of the Surface Transportation Board

Mr. Chairman and Esteemed Members of the Surface Transportation Board:

Pursuant to your 12/27/2022 Notice of Vacancies on the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC), I respectfully submit my name and application to become a serving member and representative of RETAC. With this application, I am able to provide representation as the CEO of a producer of solid fuels, as well as a private railcar owner and lessor.

Having recently taken on the role of CEO/General Manager for Western Fuels Association, Inc. (WFA), I am very pleased to continue an 18 year+ career in the energy industry that has allowed me to serve in sales, logistics, and advocacy functions at previous companies including Arch Resources, Armstrong Energy, and Paringa Resources. Should I be selected to fill this representative role for RETAC, I will serve loyally and endeavor to advocate for and foster a beneficial relationship among suppliers, railroads, and users of energy resources.

Western Fuels is a not-for profit cooperative that supplies coal and transportation services to consumer-owned electric utilities throughout the Great Plains, Rocky Mountain and Southwest regions. WFA owns and manages the Dry Fork Mine which produces approximately 5 million tons of coal annually. In addition, WFA owns approximately 1200 railcars, comprising 12–13-unit trains, and manages over 2900 total railcars for its membership.

Since its inception, Western Fuels has managed the procurement and delivery of over half a billion tons of coal to the benefit of its members' operations in order to ensure the creation and delivery of reliable, affordable electricity. WFA strongly believes that cooperation, communication, and coordination with railroads and end-users on an equal playing field creates a synergistic effect that is integral to the continued supply of dependable electricity to the citizens of our great nation.

I would be honored to serve on the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee and look forward to your favorable reply. In the interim, thank you for your consideration and should there be additional information required, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Adam D. Anderson
CEO & General Manager
Western Fuels Association, Inc.