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Kristen Nunnally
Surface Transportation Board
Attn: Docket No. EP 670 (Sub-No. 2)
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Washington, DC 20423-0001

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RE: Docket No. EP 670 (Sub-No. 2)

Kristen Nunnally:

This letter serves my application for the Surface Transportation Board's (Board) vacancy on its Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC), as a representative of private railcar owners, lessors, and manufacturers of railroad rolling stock. I understand that the Board has one vacancy on RETAC for a three-year term ending September 30, 2026

The name of the candidate: Aubra D. McKisic

The interest the candidate will represent: Private railcar owners, lessors, and manufacturers of railroad rolling stock.

Summary of the candidate's experience and qualifications for the position:

Over thirty years of experience in the railroad industry. Experience includes leadership positions in a component supplier (A. Stucki Company) and a leading railcar builder and lessor (TrinityRail). TrinityRail manufactures, owns, leases and manages a complete line of rail freight and tank cars, including cars used to transport energy products.

I currently hold the position of Vice President, Chief Engineer at Trinity Rail where I am responsible for technical oversight, including testing and analysis, and interface with government agencies (FRA, PHMSA, NTSB, Transport Canada and TSB Canada). I have served, or currently serve, on numerous technical committees and task forces including the Association of American Railroads (AAR) Tank Car, Mechanical, and Research Committees, the Railway Supply Institute (RSI) Committee on Tank Cars, the Chlorine Institute Transportation Issues Team and the American Petroleum Institute (API) Rail Standards Committee. More detail is contained in the attached C.V.

I, Aubra D. McKisic, hereby represent that I am willing to serve in a representative capacity as a member of RETAC for at least a three-year term. Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



Aubra D. McKisic

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Employment History

Vice President, Chief Engineer (March 2019-Present)

TrinityRail, Dallas, TX

Chief Engineer (March 2015-March 2019)

TrinityRail, Dallas, TX

- Technical oversight for freight and tank car designs
 - Structural design, analysis, and verification testing
 - Design requirements for regulatory compliance
- Oversight of regularity and industry activities
- Railcar intellectual property management

Senior Director – Product Development (April 2009-March 2015)

TrinityRail, Dallas, TX

Senior Director – Tank Car Engineering (May 2005-April 2009)

Trinity Tank Car, Dallas, TX

General Manager of Engineering (May 1999-April 2005)

A. Stucki Co., Pittsburgh, PA

Manager, Research and Development (August 1993-May 1999)

A. Stucki Co., Pittsburgh, PA

Project Engineer – Development (February 1989-August 1993)

A. Stucki Co., Pittsburgh, PA

Education

M.S. Mechanical Engineering

West Virginia University

B.S. Mechanical Engineering (*With High Honors*)

West Virginia University

Professional Affiliations

Licensed Professional Engineer (Pennsylvania)

Association of American Railroads (AAR)

Tank Car Committee

Mechanical Committee

Mechanical Systems Research Committee

Research Committee

MxV Rail Research Advisory Board

Natural Gas Locomotive Technical Action Group

AAR/RSI Tank Car Safety Project

Equipment Engineering Committee

Railway Supply Institute (RSI)

Committee on Tank Car – Executive and Engineering Technical Subcommittees

American Rail Car Institute (ARCI) – Technical Committee

Chlorine Institute - Transportation Issues Team

American Petroleum Institute - RP 3000 Rail Standards Committee

American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)

Rail Transportation Division: General Committee (1999-2002), Executive Committee (2002-2005)

American Welding Society

Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE)

ASM International

Truck Manufacturers Engineers Committee (1991-2005)

West Virginia University Visiting Committee for Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering (1998-2019)

Publications

19 U.S. Patents