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395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423

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

Dear Chairman Oberman and Members of the Surface Transportation Board:

I write today in support of the nomination of Paul A. Lang for a position on the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC). He currently serves as the President and Chief Executive Officer for Arch Resources Incorporated; a leading publically-traded coal mining and processing company with mines in Colorado, Illinois, Kentucky, Utah, Virginia, Wyoming, and my home state of West Virginia.

Paul has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Arch Resources Incorporated since 2020. Mr. Lang is a member of the executive committee at the National Mining Association. He previously ran West Virginia operations for Arch Resources Incorporated. Arch relies on freight rail and is one of the largest rail shippers in the country.

I have worked with Paul on energy issues that have come before the Senate, and I have always found him to be knowledgeable, reasonable, and dedicated to sound improvements for the coal industry. I believe that he would be an asset on RETAC given his background and expertise in the area of coal transportation.

I hope that you and the members of the Surface Transportation Board will give full and fair consideration to Randy's application. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 202-224-6472.

Sincerely,



United States Senator