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Mr. Brian O'Boyle
Designated Federal Officer – Passenger Rail Advisory Committee
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Streete, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: Docket No. EP 774 (Sub-No. 1) – Notice of Passenger Rail Advisory Committee Vacancies

Dear Mr. O'Boyle:

I would like to submit my name in nomination for consideration to one of the following two vacancies which I feel I could be a representative for either position.

**One Representative From a State in Which the Intercity Passenger Rail Stations
are Seved Only by Long-Distance Trains**

I reside in Glendive, MT located in the eastern end of the state but utilize Amtrak's Empire Builder long-distance train out of one of two stations. If I'm traveling east, I use the Amtrak Station at Williston, ND and if I'm traveling west, I use the Amtrak Station at Wolf Point, MT. Both locations are 100 miles one way from my home residence.

Even though I live near Interstate 94 in southern Montana, I'm no longer a fan of driving long distances to reach my destinations. When I relocated from upstate New York to eastern Montana, Greyhound operated three intercity buses east and west daily with a stop at Glendive. That service is now operated by Jefferson Lines with only one bus a day in each direction. Glendive does have an EAS airport with two flights a day to Billings, MT in each direction. However, for some of my final destinations, Amtrak works the best for me.

For the citizens who live along northern Montana, North Dakota, and Idaho, their public transportation options are limited with no intercity bus service, scattered air service, and no Interstate highway.

I've been a resident of eastern Montana since 1978 and feel that I could be a voice for Amtrak passengers in this rural area of the country who rely on Amtrak to get them wherever they need to go.

Two Representatives From Rail Passenger Advocacy Organizations

If I should not be selected for the position above, I would like to be considered as a representative from a rail passenger advocacy organization. I've been a long-term member of the Rail Passengers Association (RPA), formerly known as the National Association of Railroad Passengers (NARP), since 1979/80. Besides being a regular member, I've been involved as a Director, a Director At Large, and am currently a Council Rep. (MT) and NW Division Team Leader representing RPA members from Montana but also represent the members in Idaho and North Dakota since neither one of those states have designated RPA Council Representatives.

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I utilize Amtrak approximately six to 12 times a year and always find an opportunity to visit with other traveling passengers regarding Amtrak and their reasons for taking long-distance passenger rail service. The interaction I have with these individuals helps me advocate for improved services.

Thank you for your time with and attention to my application. I have also included a resumé as part of this application. Should there be any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

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WORK EXPERIENCE

FEBRUARY 2016 - Present

- Disability Retirement.

MAY 1979 - FEBRUARY 2016

- Employed as a Locomotive Engineer for the Burlington Northern Railroad (BNRR) / BNSF Railway.

May 1979

- Passed promotion to Locomotive Engineer for the BNRR.

December 1978 - May 1979

- Accepted as a Fireman into BNRR Locomotive Engineer Training Program.

April 1978 - December 1978

- Brakeman for BNRR.

August 1977 - April 1978

- Track Laborer for the BNRR.

EDUCATION

Waverly Jr./Sr. High School, Waverly, NY

- 1976 High School Graduate

SKILLS

- Experienced with Microsoft Office Programs.
- Good organizational, communication, and writing skills.
- Able to work independently or as part of a team.

ACTIVITIES

- Member, Director, Director-at-Large, and currently Council Representative (MT) for the Rail Passengers Association (RPA) (<https://www.railpassengers.org/>) previously known as the National Association of Railroad Passengers (NARP). I represent RPA members in Montana but also members in Idaho and North Dakota as those states don't currently have a Council Representative. 1979 - Present.

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- Charter Member, President, Alt. Secretary/Treasurer, Alt. Legislative Representative, Legislative Representative, and Member of Montana State Legislative Board for the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers (BLE) Division 180 and Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen (BLET) Division 180 in Glendive, MT. January 1981 - December 2016.
 - Chairman of the BNRR / BNSF Railway “Badlands Safety Team” and Full Time Safety Assistant for the Glendive Terminal in Glendive, MT. 1993 - 2003.
 - Member and Secretary for the BNRR “Quality Team” in Glendive, MT. 1989 - 1993
 - Safety and Rules Facilitator, Locomotive Engineer Trainer, Locomotive Engineer Mentor, and Locomotive Engineer New Technology Trainer. 1993 - Dec. 2015.
 - Chairman of the BNSF Railway Locomotive Cab Committee in Glendive, MT. Sept. 2004 - Oct. 2015.
 - Organized employee Safety Appreciation Meals and Annual Family Picnics in Glendive, MT. 2000 - 2008

FAMILY

- Married to wife, Marilyn, since Aug. 7, 1982.
- Four Children.
- Ten Grandchildren