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The Honorable Patrick J. Fuchs, Chairman
United States Surface Transportation Board
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Dear Chairman Fuchs:

In response to Wednesday's Federal Register notice of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC) vacancies, it is my pleasure to submit the nomination of Joe Forkum, Jr. to fill the Class I vacancy on the RETAC committee as CSXT's representative. Mr. Forkum was appointed to Vice President of Coal on April 1, 2023, replacing Adam Longson who previously served on the RETAC Committee. Joe was appointed to Vice President of Sales & Marketing over Coal, Agriculture, and Food on July 10, 2025.

Prior to becoming Vice President of Coal, Mr. Forkum served as CSXT's Head of Merchandise Sales. Mr. Forkum joined CSX as a member of the Finance team in 2000 and later moved into Sales and Marketing, where he took on roles of increasing responsibility on the Coal team. He was named Senior Director of Merchandise Sales in 2021 before being promoted to Head of Merchandise Sales in January 2022.

Joe attended the April 26, 2023 RETAC Committee meeting on CSXT's behalf and is willing to formally serve in that capacity. We respectfully request the Surface Transportation Board to formally appoint him to one of the current Class I vacancies.

Joe's contact information is as follows:

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Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

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