

**RAILROAD-SHIPPER TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
Washington DC

**MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 18-19, 2009 MEETING OF THE  
RAILROAD-SHIPPER TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The Railroad Shipper Transportation Advisory Council (the "Council"), pursuant to notice, held a meeting on November 18-19, 2009 in the Board Room of the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E. Street SW, Washington, DC. The meeting was called to order at 2pm November 18, and 8am November 19.

The following members were present: Eric Butler, Union Pacific Railroad; Daniel R. Elliott III, Surface Transportation Board; Scott Greene, Federal Railroad Administration; Henry Lampe, Chicago South Shore & South Bend Railway; Reilly McCarren, Arkansas and Missouri Railroad; Leslie Moll, ArcelorMittal USA; Francis P. Mulvey, Surface Transportation Board; Charles D. Nottingham, Surface Transportation Board; Bruce Ridley, Packaging Corporation of America; Terry Voss, Ag. Processing; Peter Weiss, Chrysler LLC and Owen Zidar, Kansas City Southern.

The following members attended via conference call: Roger Fray, West Central Cooperative; and Dean Piacente, CSX Transportation

The following members were not present: J.J. Keever, Virginia Port Authority; D. J. Kratzberg, Exxon Mobil; John Levine, Pinsky Railroad Company; Rick Webb, Watco Companies; Gary White, International Resource Partners.

In the absence of RSTAC Chairman Webb, Vice Chairman McCarren chaired the meeting.

**I. Opening Remarks**

- Opening remarks given by Chairman Elliott; Vice Chairman Nottingham and Commissioner Mulvey.

**II. Council Business**

- Reviewed and approved posting of minutes of August 19-20, 2009 meeting on STB website

**III. Financial Update**

- Reviewed bank account information

**IV. Election of Officers and 2010 Schedule**

- The following officers were elected for 2010:
  - Chairman—Terry Voss
  - Vice Chairman—Reilly McCarren
  - Secretary-Treasurer—Bruce Ridley
- The following dates were set for 2010 meetings:
  - February 9-10
  - May 5-6
  - August 24-25 (Field Meeting, Chicago)
  - November 17-18

## **V. General Discussion**

- Members discussed various issue and concerns related to and shared by small shippers and small railroads. These included regulations, transit times, interchanges, TIH/PIH and industrial track leases.
- White Papers
  - Members discussed and reviewed subcommittee presentations of PTC Mandate, Railroad Tax Credits, STB Reauthorization and Rail Competition.
- Federal Railway Administration Preliminary Rail Plan
  - The October 2009 document was reviewed and discussed.
- Reports from the Field
  - Members discussed and provided comments on business in their specific area. Members commented on service issues, freight-passenger balance, reciprocal switching and reregulation.

## **VI. Next meeting:**

- February 9-10, 2010