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The Honorable Cynthia T. Brown  
Chief, Section of Administration  
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Re: Docket No. Ex Parte 670 (Sub-No.2)

Dear Ms. Brown,

I am writing in strong support of the candidacy of Thomas (Tom) J. Scargle to fill the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC) vacancy notification issued November 14, 2014.

Tom Scargle is currently serving as the Senior Vice President – Commercial for Philadelphia Energy Solutions (PES). During Tom's tenure at PES, Southeast Pennsylvania has experienced a transformation in its energy sector. This transformation is due in large part to the PES development of a world class crude-by-rail system that has changed the face of domestic crude movement.

Tom has more than 30 years of experience in the petroleum refining and petrochemical industries. He possesses a strong understanding of the supply chain requirements that characterize these complex industries. Tom has a great deal of experience in working on the complex issues involving the transportation of crude oil and petroleum products, including developing and managing rail operations. The scale of PES' rail operations is in the range of 12,000 tank car movements per month.

Tom will bring to this position a keen understanding of the regulatory environment as it applies to the oil and gas industry, especially with regard to moving crude oil by rail. He has proven to be an effective communicator. The RETAC will be gaining a collaborative executive who will offer balanced and pragmatic views on policy advice.

I strongly support the candidacy of Tom Scargle to fill the RETAC vacancy. Thank you for taking the time to read this note.

Sincerely,

Patrick Meehan  
Member of Congress