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KAREN HEDLUND SWORN IN AS NEW MEMBER OF THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Karen J. Hedlund was sworn in today as a new member of the Surface Transportation Board. Ms. Hedlund was confirmed by the Senate on December 16, 2021.

Ms. Hedlund served in the Obama Administration as Chief Counsel of the Federal Highway Administration from 2009 to 2010, and as Chief Counsel and Deputy Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration from 2010 to 2014. Since stepping down from that position, Ms. Hedlund has advised governmental authorities and private investors on the development of passenger rail and transportation-oriented development projects.

Prior to joining the FRA, Ms. Hedlund had a long career as a legal advisor to governmental agencies and private lenders and investors on the development of a broad range of infrastructure projects across the United States, including rail, transit, highways, airports, water, and energy facilities. She practiced with leading national law firms in Chicago, Los Angeles, and Washington, DC.

Ms. Hedlund earned a Bachelor of Arts from Harvard University, and Juris Doctor from Georgetown University Law Center.

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