

Meeting Summary

Passenger Rail Advisory Committee Railroad Liability Subcommittee Meeting #2 Monday March 31, 2025 Teams Call 4:00pm – 4:45pm

Members Present

Gregg Baxter
Henry Posner
Rob Padgett - Absent
Shoshana Lew – Absent
Maux Sullivan
John Robert Smith
Lori Winfree
Jim Blair
Jim Matthews

Meeting Summary

The monthly meeting of the Railroad Liability Subcommittee was held via Teams Video call and the members of the subcommittee listed above were present.

Onna Houck from the Iowa Interstate presented to the subcommittee the issues that Short Lines face in regards to the provision of insurance and liability coverage. There was a robust question and answer period as the group continues to learn more about the complexity of the provision of insurance for rail operations.

The group discussed the limiting factor to find insurance in the current market and that there is a non-existent domestic market for railroad liability coverages.

The Military Contractor industry was identified as potential example to evaluate.

This will enable us to involve Subject Matter Experts (SME's) as additional resources that will help the group with ultimate recommendations to the full committee.

The next meeting will occur on April 28, 2025 and will plan an in person meeting in conjunction with the May PRAC Full Committee Meeting