

RAILROAD-SHIPPER TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL Q4 2025 MEETING

December 9-10, 2025

Surface Transportation Board Headquarters

Washington D.C.

Minutes

The Railroad Shipper Transportation Advisory Council ("RSTAC") held its fourth quarter meeting, in person, on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, and Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at the Surface Transportation Board Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

The following members were present:

- RSTAC Chairman: Mr. Justin Broyles, President and CEO, RJ Corman Railroad Group, LLC
- RSTAC Vice Chairman: Mr. Richard Erstad, Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary, Hawkins, Inc.
- RSTAC Secretary: Mr. Rob McRae, Vice President of Transportation, Univar Solutions
- Mr. Doug Sampson, Chief Commercial Officer, Acme Distribution
- Mr. Ryan Ratledge, President & CEO, Pinsky Railroad Co.
- Mr. Lee Shelly, Manager of Rail Operations, H&K Group, Inc.
- Ms. Katie Hower, Group Vice President, Industrial Products, BNSF Railway Co.
- Mr. Stefan Loeb, Vice President First & Final Mile Markets, Norfolk Southern Railway Co.
- Ms. Holly Pixler, Senior Director of Transportation and Logistics, Ardent Mills
- Mr. Dean Piacente, Chief Executive Officer, OmniTRAX Inc.
- Mr. Ryan Higgins, Chief Commercial Officer, OmniTRAX Inc. (as part of membership transition)
- Mr. Dana Hansen, Assistant Vice President Commercial Rail Freight, Archer Daniels Midland
- Mr. Anthony Petrillo, Managing Director of Transportation, Packaging Corp. of America
- Chairman Patrick Fuchs, Surface Transportation Board
- Vice Chairman Michelle Schultz, Surface Transportation Board
- Board Member Karen Hedlund, Surface Transportation Board

Alternate representatives from companies represented on the RSTAC:

- Ms. Kathy Gainey, Sr. Director and Head of Global Affairs, Canadian National Railway
- Mr. Jared Cassity, National Safety & Legislative Director, SMART Transportation Division

Also present:

- Mr. Douglas Pelsey, Economist, US Department of Transportation
- Ms. Stephanie Lyons, Attorney-Advisor and RSTAC Liaison, Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance, Surface Transportation Board
- Mr. Thomas Quinn, Attorney-Advisor to Chairman Fuchs, Surface Transportation Board
- Ms. Lisa Novins, Chief of Staff to Chairman Fuchs, Surface Transportation Board

- Ms. Jessica Caine, Attorney-Advisor to Vice Chairman Schultz, Surface Transportation Board
- Mr. Chip Vance, Attorney-Advisor to Board Member Hedlund, Surface Transportation Board

Absent:

- Mr. Don Itzkoff, Chief Policy Officer, Patriot Rail Co., LLC.
- Mr. Jeremy Ferguson, President, Transportation Division of the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers
- Mr. Robert Rogers, Vice President, Petroleum and Chemicals, Canadian National Railway

Tuesday, December 9, 2025 (Day 1)

1. RSTAC Chairman Justin Broyles called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 pm at the STB Headquarters.
2. Welcoming remarks were provided by Chairman Fuchs and other Board members. Chairman Fuchs acknowledged the end of terms for RSTAC members Holly Pixler, Dean Piacente and Robert McRae and the Board thanked them for their service.
3. RSTAC Members provided the first round of field reports to STB Board Members and staff.
4. David Shannon, General Manager of RailPulse, provided a presentation on telematics in the rail industry.
5. The first day of meetings was adjourned at approximately 5:30 pm.

Wednesday, December 10, 2025 (Day 2)

1. At approximately 8:30 am, the RSTAC members met and discussed 2026 Q1 – Q4 meeting dates.
2. At approximately 9:00 am, the RSTAC Members and STB Board Members reconvened and discussed 2026 meeting dates, and RSTAC Members resumed their field reports.
3. The second day's meetings were adjourned at approximately 11:45 am.