

**W. DOUGLAS BUTTREY DESIGNATED VICE CHAIRMAN OF SURFACE  
TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Surface Transportation Board Chairman Charles D. Nottingham announced that today, January 5, 2007, the agency designated Member W. Douglas Buttrey as its Vice Chairman. He succeeds Member Francis P. Mulvey, who served in that position during 2006. The STB's Vice Chairmanship rotates among the Members on an annual basis.

Vice Chairman Buttrey, the seventh Member since the agency's creation in 1996, was nominated to the agency by President George W. Bush, and was confirmed by the Senate on May 21, 2004, for a term expiring December 31, 2008. Vice Chairman Buttrey earned his bachelor's degree from the Tennessee Technological University and his J.D. from the University of Memphis School of Law. He is a member of the Tennessee and District of Columbia Bars.

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