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Safety Act (TRACS Act)"
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Good morning Chairman Oberstar, Ranking Member Mica, and Members of the Committee.

My name is Douglas Buttrey. I have had the privilege to serve as a Member of the Surface Transportation Board since May 28, 2004.

I appreciate the opportunity to appear before the Committee today as you consider this proposed legislation. The Board's Chairman, Charles Nottingham, has submitted testimony which discusses the issues that are the subject of this hearing. The Chairman's testimony covers everything that I would have said. Rather than duplicating coverage of the same topics, I will instead associate myself with and endorse the Chairman's formal, filed testimony.

I stand ready to respond to any questions the Committee may wish to address to me; with the caveat that, of course, I cannot comment on any proceeding or issue that is presently pending before the Board.