Oberman announces retirement from Surface Transportation Board

Surface Transportation Board Chairman Martin Oberman announced Friday that he will retire from the board on May 10.

Oberman said he informed President Biden of his plans by letter earlier that day.

Oberman was designated chairman of the STB by Biden on Jan. 21, 2021, and was sworn in as a board member on January 22, 2019.

"It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the United States as board member and chairman of the Surface Transportation Board," said Oberman. "I leave government service with the greatest respect for the work of the Board and for the agency staff, who have an unrelenting commitment to public service."



Martin Oberman

National Grain and Feed Association (NGFA) President and CEO Mike Seyfert said, "Under Chairman Martin Oberman's leadership, NGFA members and staff have fostered an effective and communicative relationship with the STB."

"Since his appointment to the board in 2019, Oberman has achieved significant regulatory milestones and emerged as a reliable asset for both agricultural shippers and railroads in Washington, D.C.," Seyfert said. "On behalf of the entire NGFA community, we thank him for our work together and extend our best wishes to him as he embarks on future endeavors."