



RSA Applauds Confirmation of new Federal Railroad Administrator David Armstrong Fink

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(Washington, D.C.) – The [Rail Security Alliance](#) congratulates David Armstrong Fink on his confirmation to serve as the 16th administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration.

In a congratulatory [letter](#) to Administrator Fink, RSA Executive Director Erik Olson said:

“Your long record of leadership and dedication to rail issues will serve the nation well at this critical moment. The FRA plays an essential role in ensuring the safety, security, and reliability of our rail network, and we are confident that under your stewardship the agency will continue to provide strong and forward-looking leadership for the freight rail sector.”

Noting RSA’s work with congressmembers on both sides of the aisle and several presidential administrations to strengthen the domestic rail industry and safeguard it from adversarial threats, most notably those posed by the Chinese state-owned enterprise CRRC, Olson continued:

“... Protecting our freight rail network is critical to our nation’s economic and national security. We look forward to working with you on a range of important issues, including the timely and effective implementation of the SAFE TRAINS Act, which prevents foreign manufacturers from adversarial nations from producing freight railcars and sensitive technologies for operation within the U.S. freight rail system. We believe your leadership at FRA will be central to ensuring these protections are enforced in a way that best secures our industry and the broader transportation network.”

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