SMART-TD PRESIDENTIAL ENDORSEMENT

May 6, 2024

Brothers and Sisters,

As the Arkansas State Legislative Director and, more importantly, a dues-paying member of the SMART Transportation Division, I consider it my duty and privilege to endorse Jeremy Ferguson for President.

We are experiencing one of the rail industry's most consequential eras of change. Technology is evolving at a pace not seen since the Industrial Revolution, and this will alter not only our professions but also our way of life. A steady hand on the rudder is crucial to help guide our organization through these violent and rough waters. Jeremy has demonstrated his ability to do just that, proven by his track record at the helm.

Brothers and Sisters, the times are perilous and best greeted with serious leaders underpinned by unwavering solidarity. For these reasons, among many others not listed, it is my duty to endorse Jeremy Ferguson for SMART Transportation Division President.

It is also my privilege to do so, granted by our members who have supported me and come to expect any endorsement to be rooted in honesty and solidarity. I am confident that both of these principles are embedded in this endorsement.

I urge you to vote for Jeremy Ferguson for President of the SMART Transportation Division. Together, we can navigate these changes and emerge stronger than ever.

Fraternally,

Gerald Sale

Director, Arkansas-SMART-TD