

All Rocks Are NOT Created Equal...

STALITE

STRUCTURAL

Lightweight Aggregate



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Surface Transportation Board
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Dear Chairman Elliott,

I respectfully request to submit my name for consideration for the vacancy on the RSTAC as a small shipper representative.

I am currently the Sales Manager for Carolina Stalite Company. Stalite manufactures rotary kiln expanded lightweight aggregate in Gold Hill, NC. Stalite was established in 1963 and is privately owned by the Johnson family. Stalite is sold both nationally and internationally and rail transportation is one of our main transportation modes.

Prior to my current position, I was Stalite's Transportation Manager for 22 years and the Transportation Department is still under my supervision. Stalite operates two manufacturing plants in North Carolina and distributes through 40+ distribution facilities all over the US. Rail is major transportation mode for Stalite.

I am no stranger to working with rail related councils. I am a past President of the Southeast Association of Rail Shippers (SEARS). Along with my SEARS representation I served as SEARS's regional representative on the National Association of Rail Shippers (NARS) for six years. I am currently serving on the CSX Customer Advisory Council.

I appreciate this opportunity to be considered for RSTAC.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Hoben
Sales Manager