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## FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT



**Roger Guenther**  
Executive Director, Port of Houston Authority

Roger Guenther was named Executive Director of the Port of Houston Authority in January 2014. Since joining the Port of Houston Authority in 1988, Mr. Guenther has served in various capacities related to facilities management, including master planning of the Bayport Container Terminal, redevelopment of the existing Barbour's Cut Terminal, and procurement of all container handling cranes and equipment over the last two decades.

Mr. Guenther earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Texas A&M University and has an MBA in International Trade and Finance from the University of St. Thomas. Prior to joining the Port of Houston Authority, Mr. Guenther was an engineer with Emscor, Inc. in Atlanta, Georgia.

A native Texan, Mr. Guenther currently resides in Pearland with his wife Fabiana and two children. He is actively involved with youth programs at his church, enjoys hunting, fishing, and golf, and is a dedicated supporter of Texas A&M sports.



**Brenda Mainwaring**  
Vice President Public Affairs – Southern Region,  
Union Pacific Railroad

Brenda Mainwaring, Vice President of Public Affairs, leads the Union Pacific team that interacts with elected officials, media and communities in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas and Tennessee. She is based in Spring, Texas.

She began her career with Union Pacific in government affairs, responsible for legislative analysis in UP's 23 operating states. She was appointed Director of Corporate Relations in 2001 and subsequently managed UP's role as supplier to the 2002 Olympic Winter Games and developed Union Pacific's museum and trademark licensing program. Before joining the railroad, Mainwaring was an intelligence analyst in Washington, D.C.

Ms. Mainwaring is an Iowa native and earned a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Anthropology at the University of Iowa.



**Steve Stewart**  
Chairman & Co-founder, Gulf Winds International, Inc.

Mr. Steve Stewart served as President of Gulf Winds from 1996 to 2012. He currently serves as Chairman, acting as an advisor to the President and Leadership Team. Mr. Stewart also serves on a number of important industry related educational and community boards. These organizations support industry wide economic growth and development at the local, state and regional levels.

Mr. Stewart was honored as "Maritime Person of the Year" by the Greater Houston Port Bureau at their annual gala in August, 2011. After graduating from Lamar University with a BBA degree in Marketing, he spent the next 23 years in international shipping with responsibility in all areas of transportation and logistics, with primary emphasis on commercial development. Mr. Stewart held Senior and Executive level positions with large international transportation companies both in the U.S. and Europe prior to founding Gulf Winds International.

Mr. Stewart and his wife Brenda have been married over 42 years and are members of Humble Areas' First Baptist Church.

## FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

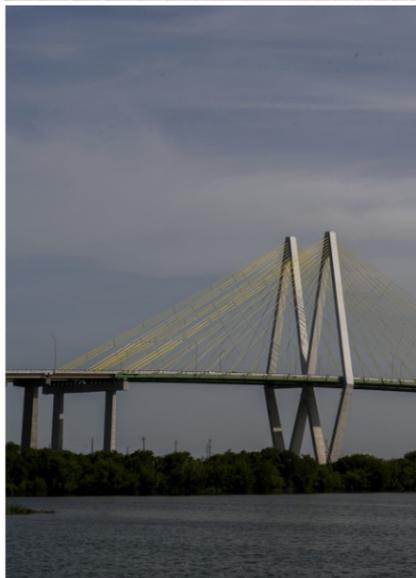
**Senator Sylvia R. Garcia**  
Texas State Senate, District 6

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**Joseph Adams**



**TEXAS FREIGHT  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING**

**October 20, 2014  
10:00am to 3:00pm**

**TxDOT Houston District Office  
7600 Washington Avenue  
Houston, Texas 77007**

