K. Alan Russell  
President and C.E.O. of the Tecma Group of Companies  
Mr. Russell co-founded The Tecma Group of Companies in 1986 and serves as President and CEO. Tecma provides shelter, manufacturing support, and consulting services throughout Mexico for foreign companies across the world. The company has more than 4,000 employees in 19 industrial facilities, competing directly with the China low-cost manufacturing alternative for North America.

Mr. Russell is Chairman of one of Mexico’s major Industrial Development Committees and he is the first American to hold this position. Mr. Russell serves on several Boards including: the Board of Directors of the Regional Economic Development Corporation for the northern region of Mexico; the board of Tec Group and the War Eagles Air Museum. Mr. Russell is a member of several organizations; he is a Regional Member of the Merida II Initiative between the U.S. and Mexico; member of the Southwest Maquila Association; member of the University of Texas El Paso 2014 Centennial Commission; member and major investor in the El Paso Chamber of Commerce and member of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Russell and his wife Patty are financial sponsors of C.A.F.E., a college scholarship foundation, and are supporters of the University of Texas Athletics Programs. Mr. Russell is Past President of the Charitable Foundation and the International Argo Ranch, and a founding Director of the El Paso Susan B. Komen Race for the Cure.

In recognition of his leadership in promoting aviation through education, Mr. Russell was inducted into the El Paso Aviation Hall of Fame. For the second straight year, Mr. Russell and his company have been recipient of the Mexican Federal Government award for the leadership in environmental achievements. He was also honored as their 2010 Distinguished Alumni for his Alma Mater, Southeastern Oklahoma University.

Kevin D. McIntosh  
Assistant Vice President State & Local Relations  
Kevin McIntosh is Assistant Vice President of State and Local Relations for Kansas City Southern (KCS). Headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., KCS is a transportation holding company that has railroad investments in the U.S., Mexico, and Panama. KCS’ North American rail holdings and strategic alliances are primary components of a NAFTA Railway system, linking the commercial and industrial centers of the U.S., Mexico and Canada.

McIntosh has 17 years of transportation industry experience. He joined The Kansas City Southern Railway Company as a management trainee in 1996, and has held a variety of leadership positions in operations, accounting, safety and human resources. He holds a master of business administration from Rockhurst University and a bachelor of science in business management from the University of Missouri - Columbia.

McIntosh has three kids, Isaac, Aaron and Alexis and resides in Lee’s Summit, Missouri with his wife, Lia.

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Texas Freight Advisory Committee Meeting  
December 5, 2013  
8:30 AM - 3:30 PM  
IBC Bank, IBC Annex 2nd floor,  
2416 Jacaman Rd.  
Laredo, Texas 78041
Jose R. 'Joe' Uribe, Assistant Port Director, Laredo Trade Operations
Mr. Uribe has over 30 years of U.S. Government Service. He currently serves as the Acting Port Director of Laredo, Texas, and is also the Assistant Port Director for Trade Operations at one of the largest inland ports in the United State. Mr. Uribe manages two large commercial cargo facilities, one rail bridge, one international airport; and oversees the monitoring of numerous bonded warehouses and foreign trade zones. In addition, Joe oversees direction of the Laredo Entry Section and Import Specialists at Laredo, Los Indios and Pharr Ports of Entry. Mr. Uribe holds a Bachelors of Science Degree in Animal Science from the Texas A&M University College Station, Texas.

1:20-1:40 PM FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER REGULATORY AND ENFORCEMENTS ISSUES
Rafael Silva, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Laredo Field Office
Mr. Rafael Silva is a safety auditor with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. He began his career with FMCSA in 2002 as a safety inspector conducting commercial vehicle inspections at the Laredo Ports of Entry. He has extensive experience with commercial vehicle inspection procedures. Mr. Silva conduits safety audits on new entrant motor carriers including Canadian and Mexican carriers to ensure they are operating in compliance with Federal Regulations. He has traveled to various states in the US, Canada and Mexico to conduct these audits.

1:40-2:00 PM STATEWIDE COMMERCIAL VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT ISSUES
Major Chris Nordioh, Department of Public Safety/Texas Highway Patrol Division/Commercial Vehicle Enforcement
Major Chris Nordioh is the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement (CVE) Coordinator for the Texas Department of Public Safety, which is the lead CVE agency for the State of Texas. He is responsible for developing policies related to Commercial Vehicle Enforcement for DPS and local agencies, oversees the Motor Carrier Bureau and the Compliance Review and Safety Audit programs, and supervises the Schoolbus Safety and CVE Training Units. He is responsible for oversight of federal grants related to Commercial Vehicle Enforcement. Nordioh is responsible directly to the Chief of the Texas Highway Patrol Division and is his liaison to the field with respect to CVE operations. Major Nordioh is also responsible for updating the Texas Administrative Code relating to commercial and Schoolbus vehicle regulations and enforcement.

2:00-2:15 PM BORDER WAIT-TIME STUDY
Esther Hitzfelder, Texas Department of Transportation
Esther Hitzfelder has worked as a Special Projects Coordinator in TxDOT’s International Relations Office since 2000. She participates in the US - Mexico Joint Working Committee and has collaborated with other states and agencies in both countries on a number of border related studies. She has worked extensively with FHWA, the Texas Transportation Institute, and local, state and federal stakeholders in both countries, on Border Wait Time studies at several border crossings in Texas.

2:15 -2:30 PM TEXAS CENTER FOR TRANSPORTATION POLICY
Jolanda Prozzi, Research Scientist and Program Manager, Environment and Planning Program, Texas A&M Transportation Institute
Ms. Prozzi has more than 20 years of professional and research experience in freight planning and freight policy analysis. Since 2001, Ms. Prozzi has been collaborating on and managing more than 25 Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) research projects and studies. Ms. Prozzi was also the Assistant Director at the Center for Transportation Research at the University of Texas at Austin, a Transportation Analyst at Cambridge Systematics, Inc., a Consultant Transportation Economist at the World Bank, and a Project Leader at the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR). Ms. Prozzi has also served as a consultant for the PEW Foundation, National Cooperative Highway Research Program, US Agency for International Development, and the CSIR. Ms. Prozzi has authored and contributed to over 50 publications.

2:30 -3:20 PM OPEN DISCUSSION
ADJOURN JUDGE EMMETT, CHAIR

3:20 PM

2014 Committee Quarterly Meetings
February 20 – Dallas/Fort Worth
May 8 – East Texas, Nacogdoches or Lufkin
August 14 – Midland/Odessa
November 13 – Houston