



**U.S. Department of  
Transportation**

Office of Inspector General  
Washington, D.C. 20590

March 18, 2019

Mr. Adil Gulamali, Chief Financial Officer  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Dear Mr. Gulamali:

In accordance with the Accountability of Tax Dollars Act of 2002, we are initiating an audit of the Surface Transportation Board's (STB) financial statements for fiscal years 2019 and 2018. The objective of this audit is to express an opinion on whether STB's financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. We have engaged an independent audit firm—Leon Snead & Company, PC—to conduct this audit. The firm will conduct its work subject to OIG oversight and in accordance with generally accepted Government auditing standards and the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Bulletin 19-01, Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Statements. The work will be done at STB Headquarters in Washington, DC, and one of its service providers in Denver, CO. The audit report is due to OMB by November 15, 2019.

We have scheduled an entrance conference for March 20, 2019. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (202) 366-1407, or George Banks, Program Director, at (202) 420-1116.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louis C. King".

Louis C. King  
Assistant Inspector General for Financial  
and Information Technology Audits