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## GPO CHIEF OF STAFF NAMED A SENIOR EXECUTIVE AT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Government Printing Office's (GPO) Chief of Staff, Maria S. Lefevre, has been named to a senior executive position at the Department of Transportation (DOT). Lefevre will be the Associate Administrator for Administration for DOT's Research and Innovation Technology Administration (RITA). RITA is charged with advancing the deployment of cross-cutting technologies to improve our Nation's transportation system. In her new position, Lefevre will be the principal administrative and management official. She will lead in the development of administrative infrastructure and implementation of business processes.

"I am grateful to Bob Tapella and all of the GPO employees for the opportunities and successes I have achieved at GPO," said GPO Chief of Staff Maria Lefevre. "I am thrilled to be joining a talented group of professionals at DOT and I'm ready for the new challenges that await me. I want to thank all of the wonderful people I have worked with at GPO, your dedication and commitment to the agency makes it the thriving operation it is today."

Lefevre was recently honored by the Stevie Awards for Women in Business for her accomplishments at the GPO. Lefevre took executive of the year honors, as one of the top executives in public and private sector organizations worldwide. Lefevre was the first female Chief of Staff in the 150-year history of GPO. She was responsible for advising the Public Printer on all aspects of the agency's business and managing the direction, policy and goals for one of the largest manufacturing and digital information facilities in the world. Lefevre oversaw the day-to-day operations and budgets for GPO's executive offices that include: Congressional Relations, Communications, General Counsel, Equal Employment Opportunity, Inspector General, Quality Assurance and Chief Technology Officer. Before coming to GPO, Lefevre spent a decade as a Congressional staff member.

"I can't begin to say how proud GPO and I are of Maria and her accomplishments," said Public Printer Bob Tapella. "Maria's leadership is one of the reasons for the successful transformation of GPO into a world class digital information facility. GPO's loss is DOT's gain; Maria's knowledge, judgment and expertise of management issues will be an asset to her new colleagues. Personally, I'm grateful to Maria for her contributions and friendship during her time at GPO. I wish her success as she enters this exciting phase of her career."

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