

Nomination for Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration

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The President will nominate Jolene Molitoris to be the Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, the White House announced today. Ms. Molitoris served for more than a decade with the Ohio Department of Transportation and Ohio Rail Transportation Authority.

"One of the most important things we can do to improve our overall transportation system

and to create high-wage manufacturing jobs is to improve and expand our Nation's rail system," said the President. "Jolene Molitoris is a seasoned executive with direct experience in doing the kinds of things we need to be doing."

NOTE: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Nomination for Commissioners of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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The President announced his intention today to nominate four experts on energy regulation, Bill Massey, Donald Santa, James Hoecker, and Vicky Bailey, to be Commissioners of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. He also announced his intention to designate Elizabeth Anne "Betsy" Moler as the Commission's Chair, a position she has held on an interim basis since February.

"I have called for a sensible, comprehensive energy policy that serves our future energy needs, protects our precious environment, and helps to build a growing economy," said the President. "This experienced and talented group of Commissioners will help to meet those goals."

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Remarks on the Observance of the 250th Anniversary of the Birth of Thomas Jefferson

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Thank you very much, Colonel McCarty, General Streeter, my fellow Americans. I want to begin by offering my compliments to the United States Marine Band and the Virginia Glee Club, who have entertained us so well today. I think we should give them another hand. *[Applause]*

Today we observe the birthday of perhaps the most brilliant of our Founding Fathers in a setting Thomas Jefferson would have very much approved: one that joins the beauty of human architecture with the rapturous side of nature, with the cherry blossoms bursting all around us in a wreath.

Mr. Jefferson used to say with some pride that the Sun never found him in bed, that he

always rose early, and he was very proud of the fact that well into his seventies, he could ride a horse several miles a day without tiring. Well, in honor of his birthday, I rose early this morning and finding no horses around the White House, I ran over here and jogged around this magnificent Tidal Basin, seeing many of my fellow citizens who were here even before me, at the dawn, to see this magnificent sight.

Today we have come to lay our wreaths in honor of Thomas Jefferson, as his likeness towers behind us. And yet, no amount of bronze