



# JOIN RSI:

*Your Industry Association and Community*

Support, Connect, and Advocate

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# About RSI



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BILLION  
INDUSTRY**

## Who We Are

The Railway Supply Institute (RSI) is the largest and only trade association that represents the full supply chain for the railroad system. From the smallest parts manufacturer to the largest railcar builders/lessors, RSI represents:

- All major North American freight railcar and locomotive manufacturers
- Most of the largest railcar leasing companies
- Major passenger railcar OEMs
- 100+ suppliers to the North American passenger and freight railroads

Our members manufacture and lease their railcars to some of the biggest industries in the world (chemical, oil and gas, agriculture, building material and automotive), touching virtually every sector of the global economy in the process.



**125,000  
INDUSTRY  
EMPLOYEES**

## Why Join



Be a part of the voice of the railway supply industry to advocate for policies that benefit all railway suppliers.



Make connections with industry peers at our events or through our membership directory. Grow your network and business opportunities with RSI!



Join other thought leaders in the industry to gain technical expertise and develop best practices, impact standards, and more.



***RSI is the most effective advocate for our business and all suppliers on Capitol Hill. Thanks to the power of RSI's membership, we've been able to pass several key bills and secure billions in new federal investments that support and grow the railway supply industry.***

**Peter Thomas, Corporate VP and Chief Strategy Officer, Wabtec Corporation**

## **Our Mission**

*The Railway Supply Institute's mission is to support, connect, and advocate for railway suppliers.*

*RSI connects members to their customers and partners, advocates on behalf of all railway suppliers in the legislative and regulatory process, and advances innovation, technology, safety, and sustainability in the industry.*

# Advocacy

As the only independent advocate of the railway supplier in Washington, DC, RSI ensures that the industry's voice is heard as regulators and Members of Congress are making important policy decisions that impact your business.

Whether through traditional lobbying efforts throughout the year leveraging connections with Congressional staff or our participation in industry events on Capitol Hill, we protect our members' interests.

***RSI's Government & Public Affairs Committee (GPAC) serves as the voice of the industry in Washington, DC to advance legislative and regulatory priorities on Capitol Hill.***



## Major legislative interests include:



Advancement of  
Innovative Technology



Investment in  
Infrastructure



Promoting Fair Trade



Balanced Regulations to Promote  
Safety & Competitiveness



Enforcing Buy America

# A Track Record of Success for the Industry

In 2021, President Joe Biden signed the long-awaited five-year \$1.2 trillion bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) into law. Because of the tireless work of our members and industry partners, we were able to secure historic investments in rail, modernize key programs, preserve balanced regulations, and create and maintain standards that will provide a fair and level playing field in the industry for years to come.



## RESULTS

IIJA included **\$66 billion** in new funding for intercity passenger rail and **\$39 billion** in new funding for public transit.

The IIJA increases the nationwide cap for qualified highway or surface freight transportation bonds from \$15 billion to **\$30 billion**.



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Congress included the SAFE Trains Act in the IIJA, which **will ensure that freight railcars continue to be manufactured in North America** by North American-domiciled companies, not by foreign state-owned enterprises.



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Key reforms to the Section 130 Program were included in the IIJA. These included **increasing the federal match** for the program to 100%, **increasing the incentive payment cap** for the closure of railway-highway grade crossing from \$7,500 to \$100,000, and clarifying that Section 130 funds can be used to **replace functionally obsolete warning devices**.



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**No substantive increases** to truck size or weight are included in the IIJA.



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The IIJA **did not include any changes** to the deadlines imposed by the FAST Act of 2015 for the modification of tank cars in flammable liquid service.

# Our Technical Committees

RSI's technical committees bring together industry experts to collect data, address regulatory issues and collaborate on issues impacting various sectors of the rail supply industry.

## **American Railcar Institute (ARCI)**

Provides key economic data for the industry by tracking and reporting on railcar orders, deliveries, and backlogs in the railcar manufacturing market.

## **Committee on Tank Cars (CTC)**

Remains at the forefront of the latest research to improve tank car safety and collaborates with the AAR Tank Car Committee to review tank car requirements.

## **Standard Coupler Manufacturers Committee**

Promotes AAR standard coupler technology worldwide and deals with technical matters affecting the use of that technology.

## **Quality Assurance Committee (QAC)**

Develops industry best practices, documents, and guidelines to improve supplier products, processes, and services.

## **Equipment Leasing Committee (ELC)**

Monitors and engages on key regulatory and policy issues affecting the freight railcar leasing industry.

## **State Taxation Committee**

Proactively monitors and engages with state legislatures to provide input on issues that affect the taxation of freight railcar owners and lessors.



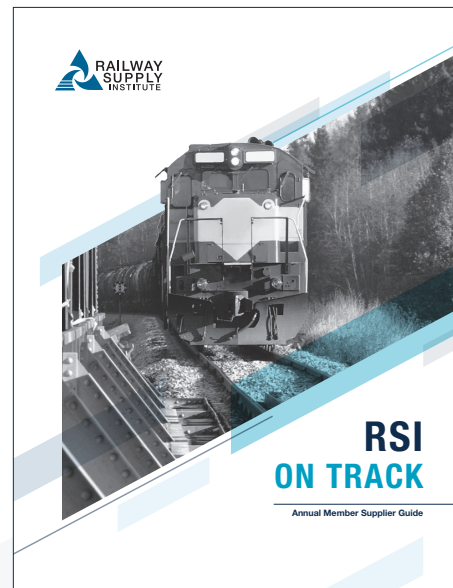
*RSI's technical committees provide a premier opportunity for freight railcar owners and leasing companies like ours to engage with regulators and the AAR on issues that impact our business.*

Jeff Lytle, President, CIT Rail



# Industry News & Updates

RSI keeps you up to speed on the latest developments of the railway supply industry.



## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

RSI's newsletter hits your inbox with relevant industry news, key updates on the association, and more so you can stay up to date on the latest developments impacting your business.

## DIRECTORY AND SUPPLIER GUIDE

The annual publication informs our members and stakeholders about RSI's activities and achievements that help move our industry forward, as well as provides contacts for you to make connections.

## QUARTERLY QUALITY NEWSLETTER

Produced by the RSI Quality Assurance Committee, the newsletter informs its readers on quality topics, methods, tools, and services.

## WEEKLY ROUND UP

Hear straight from the RSI team on impactful legislation and activities on Capitol Hill on a weekly basis so you don't miss a thing, whether it's hearing schedules, policy updates you need to know, or anything in between.



# Industry Resources

## ARCI

The RSI ARCI is the only organization that tabulates and publishes proprietary freight railcar statistics. This information includes statistics on open top hoppers (steel, aluminum), flat cars (non-intermodal, intermodal), tank cars, and more.

## Tank Car Resource Center

The RSI CTC pushes forward to improve railcar safety and publishes data and relevant information on the Tank Car Resource Center, a one stop shop for regulators to learn more and inform their decisions.

## RSI-100 Standard

The industry leading recommended practice that enables railway parts suppliers to produce tank car components in conformance with their Association of American Railroads (AAR) approved specifications and applicable federal regulations.





### Exhibitor Advisory Committee (EAC)

Engages with RSI staff to improve the ROI of events and create a better attendee and exhibitor experience.

## EDUCATION PARTNERS

Our education partners provide RSI members with the latest industry knowledge through a variety of innovative and engaging sessions at the RSI Expo and Technical Conference.



**RAILCAR  
TECHNICAL  
SERVICES  
ASSOCIATION**

***RSI's trade shows give us valuable opportunities to network with our customers and suppliers and market our brand.***

**Jeremy Erikson, Chief Operating Officer Messiah Locomotive Service, LLC**

# Our Events

RSI events bring together the railway industry to connect professionals and help elevate businesses. Through events like the RSI Expo and Technical Conference and Railway Interchange, RSI facilitates important networking opportunities, trade shows, and technical and educational training programs for our members.

## Events by the Numbers



Railway Interchange Attendees



**746**

Total Railway Interchange Exhibits



International Railway Interchange Attendees



**71**

International Railway Interchange Exhibits



**47**

Countries Represented at Railway Interchange



**26**

Media Outlets at Railway Interchange



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