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Julie Abraham leads the Department's international transportation and trade program, overseeing multimodal international policy, trade promotion and cross border transportation issues, and managing international technical assistance programs as well as the Department's representation in bilateral and multilateral international transportation organizations. She also leads the representation of the Department's interests in trade negotiations. In addition, she oversees the Department's counter human trafficking initiative. Previously, Ms. Abraham served as the Secretary of Transportation's representative to the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad. As the Transportation Counselor, she provided executive leadership to a team of experts from the Department of Transportation, Department of State, the U.S. military and locally employed Iraqi staff in assisting the Iraqi Ministers of Transportation and of Housing and Construction build capacity in all modes of transportation (aviation, maritime, rail, roads and bridges). Prior to that, Ms. Abraham served as the Director of International Policy, Fuel Economy and Consumer Programs at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). In that position, she was responsible for the Department's domestic regulatory activities in the areas of automobile fuel economy, consumer labeling and theft prevention. Ms. Abraham also led NHTSA's activities relating to the global harmonization of motor vehicle safety regulations and negotiated an agreement for the harmonization of vehicle regulations under the auspices of the United Nations.