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Linda Schuessler, the Air Traffic Organization's Vice President of System Operations, is responsible for coordinating traffic flow for the day-to-day en route and terminal operations of the air traffic control system. She is the liaison to the Department of Defense and the Transportation Security Administration on air transportation issues.

Schuessler began her Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) career as a controller at the Atlanta Air Route Traffic Control Center in 1974. Her career has encompassed many areas of air traffic, including Assistant Air Traffic Manager of Atlanta Center, Deputy Director of the Cost Accounting Project System, and Assistant Division Manager of the En Route/Terminal Operations and Procedures Division.

In 2000, Schuessler moved to the Air Traffic Control System Command Center, where she led both the System Efficiency and Tactical Operations Divisions. She also served as manager of the Air Traffic Evaluations and Investigations Staff, and oversaw quality assurance programs in coordination with national security organizations.

Most recently, Schuessler served as the FAA's Deputy Director of Air Traffic where she helped manage the controller workforce and more than 600 air traffic control facilities.

Schuessler is a graduate of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, with bachelors' of science degrees in math and science education. She is a member of the Air Traffic Control Association, as well as the Professional Women Controllers and the Technical Women's Organization