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Orr is executive vice president – operations for Kansas City Southern (KCS) (NYSE: KSU). Headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, KCS is a transportation holding company that has railroad investments in the U.S., Mexico and Panama. Its primary U.S. holding is The Kansas City Southern Railway Company. Its international holdings include Kansas City Southern de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. and Panama Canal Railway Company. KCS' North American rail holdings and strategic alliances are primary components of a railway network, linking the commercial and industrial centers of the U.S., Mexico and Canada.

Orr joined KCS in 2021 as an executive consultant and was quickly promoted to his current position. Prior to joining KCS, he was chief of wagon production for Germany-based Helrom GmbH and an executive consultant for various railroading and transportation ecosystems. In 2019, he left CN as senior vice president and chief transportation officer after 34 years in operating leadership roles with the company.

Orr holds a bachelor of arts in environmental studies from University of Waterloo and has completed business coursework and professional development in leadership from Harvard University, University of Waterloo, University of Guelph, University of Western Ontario and Niagara Leadership Institute.

Orr has authored a number of articles on precision scheduled railroading which have been published in International Railway Journal, Railway Age magazine, Trains magazine and Journal of Commerce.