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	APPROVED: <i>Claire M. Maddox</i> Director
	☐ Petitions for reconsideration due 5/18/2020.

BY E-FILING**EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION REQUESTED**

Ms. Allison C. Davis
Director, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W., Room 1034
Washington, DC 20024

Re: *Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad Company – Acquisition and Operation – Certain Rail Lines of CSX Transportation, Inc. in Onondaga, Oswego, Jefferson, Saint Lawrence, and Franklin Counties, New York (Docket No. FD 36347)*

Dear Ms. Brown:

Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad Company (“B&LE”) and CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) jointly respectfully request an extension of time from April 27, 2020 to May 18, 2020 for their filing of petitions for reconsideration of Decision No. 4. See 49 C.F.R. 1115.3(e). B&LE and CSXT respectfully seek expedited consideration of this request.

In Decision No. 4, the Board ordered that “B&LE’s application to acquire and operate CSXT’s Massena Lines is approved,” subject to, *inter alia*, “the condition that B&LE and CSXT modify or eliminate section 5.14(b) of the PSA governing this Transaction to address the Board’s concerns described [in the Decision].” The Board further ordered that “B&LE and CSXT must submit their proposed changes to section 5.14(b) to the Board by May 6, 2020, for review.”

Pursuant to Decision No. 4, B&LE and CSXT have been in discussions regarding the Board’s condition as to Section 5.14(b), but they have not yet reached agreement.

Accordingly, B&LE and CSXT respectfully request that they be allowed until May 18, 2020 to file petitions for reconsideration of Decision No. 4. There is good cause to grant the requested extension as it will allow B&LE and CSXT to avoid potentially wasting the STB’s and their own resources on a petition for reconsideration that may not be needed, and it will allow the parties to focus their efforts instead on reaching an agreement on a proposal regarding Section 5.14(b).

Sincerely,
/s/ Claire M. Maddox
Counsel for Bessemer and
Lake Erie Railroad Company

cc: All Parties of Record