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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423

**RE: New England Transrail, LLC, D/B/A Wilmington & Woburn Terminal
Railway-Construction, Acquisition, and Operation Exemption-in
Wilmington and Woburn, Massachusetts
FD 34797 Sub-Docket 1
*Further Status Report of Town of Wilmington***

Dear Ms. Brown:

On behalf of the Town of Wilmington ("Wilmington"), we submit this further status report pursuant to the Board's decision dated April 5, 2019 and amended October 24, 2019, requiring the parties to submit a status report by November 8, 2019 and every 90 days thereafter. This report follows our report of November 2, 2020.

Previous reports submitted by Wilmington and by NET and WWI summarize past discussions between Wilmington and WWI/GFI concerning a conceptual alternative to the project that is the subject of the above-noted proceeding. The pace and timing of WWI's engineering and planning of a protentional alternative redevelopment project have depended upon both the development and approval of remedial options for clean-up of the Olin site by USEPA and Olin Corporation and also the decision-making of WWI and NET, matters which largely are beyond the control of Wilmington.

Nonetheless, Wilmington stands ready to resume consideration of any additional relevant information and submittals from WWI and NET when circumstances permit. As previously reported, USEPA circulated its Proposed Remedial Plans, held internet-based public presentation and comment sessions, and received written comments. Wilmington and its geotechnical consultants participated in those sessions and have submitted multiple written comments. In due course, USEPA is expected to develop a further, if not finalized, set of plans (aspects of which are by their nature interim measures, subject to further refinement and expansion over time), along with the agency's responses to public and written comments and to issue its Record of Decision. (In the interim, there have been significant communications among USEPA, Olin and its consultants, and Wilmington consultants concerning Olin's failure to maintain a temporary cap over the site's sub-surface contaminant containment structure and the technical parameters for Olin to replace, monitor and maintain the cap going forward.)

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Wilmington stands ready to hear further from WWI/GFI about its redevelopment proposal once the remediation planning process has progressed sufficiently to make that realistic.

Please let us know if you require any additional information.

Very truly yours,



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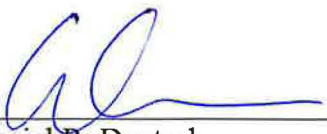
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