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ATTENTION: Surface Transportation Board

RE: STB Finance Docket No. 36500
CP-KCS Potential Combination

Veikle Grain Ltd. hereby files this letter to express its opposition to the bid by CN to acquire KCS and re-iterate its support for the CP-KCS combination.

As expressed in our initial letter to the Board dated April 13, 2021, Veikle Grain Ltd. supports swift approval of the CP-KCS combination because of the significant benefits the combination would bring, including expanded markets for Veikle Grain Ltd. serviced by CP and strengthened competition against the other, larger rail carriers and trucks that serve our members' markets.

Veikle Grain Ltd. has been transporting pulses to CP certified facilities in Vancouver and Montreal for thirty years and we have been receiving liquid and dry fertilizer for the last six years from the United States. With the proposed merger of the CP and the KCS this will give Veikle Grain access to new markets, especially when it comes to the importing and receiving of fertilizers from the US into Canada. This single-line rail service option from Canada into the US and vice versa is far superior than CP interlining with other railroads beyond Kansas City.

We expect a combined CPKC network to offer seamless, single-line service that will improve our transportation options and provide a better alternative to the options that already exist. CPKC network would provide alternatives that would increase competition. A CN-KCS combination would do nothing to benefit Veikle Grain Ltd, but would instead decrease competition overall.

Respectfully submitted,

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CC: All Parties of Record