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Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
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Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: FD 36514, Canadian National Railway Company, Grand Trunk Corporation, and CN's Rail Operating Subsidiaries—Control—Kansas City Southern, the Kansas City Southern Railway Company, Gateway Eastern Railway Company, and the Texas Mexican Railway Company

Dear Ms. Brown:

Westmoreland Mining LLC (WML) and our predecessors have been long time customers of Canadian National Railway (CN), mainly as part of our coal business in Alberta. CN has always supported our business and provided reliable service to the ports on the west coast of Canada.

With that in mind, WML supports CN's acquisition of Kansas City Southern (KSC) railway believing they would bring by faster, safer, cleaner and more direct service for North-South trade. While this merger will not immediately impact our current business, we have confidence that the combined company will be able to improve the service to the customers that do use those lines and would certainly be a partner we would be willing to work with in the future, should the need arise.

Sincerely,

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