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Re: **Docket No. FD 36503**
Grand Elk Railroad, Inc.—Acquisition Exemption—Lines of Wisconsin Central Ltd. in Michigan

Docket No. FD 36504
Fox Valley & Lake Superior Rail System, L.L.C.—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Lines of Wisconsin Central Ltd. in Wisconsin

Dear Ms. Brown:

We are pleased to provide for filing in the above docket the attached letters submitted by three rail shippers in support of the above referenced transactions.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

STINSON, LLP/s/ David F. Rifkind

David F. Rifkind

Attorney for Grand Elk Railroad, Inc. and
Fox Valley & Lake Superior Railway System, L.L.C.

Enclosures

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cc: Thomas J. Litwiler
Kathryn J. Gainey
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April 23, 2021

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Re: **Docket No. FD 36503**
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Wisconsin Central Ltd. in the State of Michigan

Docket No. FD 36504
Fox Valley & Lake Superior Rail System, L.L.C. -- Acquisition and Operation
Exemption -- Lines of Wisconsin Central Ltd. in the State of Wisconsin

Dear Ms. Brown:

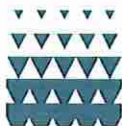
On behalf of Park Falls Industrial Management, I am writing in support of the proposed sale of approximately 650 miles of railroad branch lines in Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan by Wisconsin Central Ltd. (CN) to subsidiaries of Watco. We operate a mill in Park Falls, WI and utilize rail for the movement of both inbound and outbound product. We feel the proposed transaction will help assure the continuation of such service and preserve and enhance our ability to efficiently reach the national rail network.

We understand that the proposed line sales are being processed at the Surface Transportation Board under the agency's exemption procedures, and we support the STB permitting the transaction to become effective through that expedited process without delay.

Very truly yours,

Nick Ghery
General Manager
Park Falls Industrial Management

cc: Parties of Record



GRAYMONT

April 21, 2021

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Fox Valley & Lake Superior Rail System, L.L.C.--Acquisition and
Operation
Exemption -- Lines of Wisconsin Central Ltd. in the State of Wisconsin

Dear Ms. Brown:

On behalf of Graymont, a global leader in lime and limestone solutions, I am writing in support of the proposed sale of approximately 650 miles of railroad branch lines in Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan by Wisconsin Central Ltd. (CN) to subsidiaries of Watco. We are the primary customer utilizing rail freight service on one of the lines involved. We believe the proposed transaction will help assure the continuation of such service and preserve and enhance our ability to efficiently reach the national rail network.

Watco's railroads are established and experienced rail service providers in the states of Wisconsin and Michigan, and we believe FOXY and GDLK will be strong operators for the rail lines to be acquired in this transaction. We look forward to working with FOXY/GDLK and CN as these important rail lines change ownership.

We understand that the proposed line sales are being processed at the Surface Transportation Board under the agency's exemption procedures, and we support the STB permitting the transaction to become effective through that expedited process.

Very truly yours,

Randy E. Pletcher

V.P. Logistics, Quality Assurance & Customer Service

Cc: Parties of Record

375 Graymont Rd.
Bellefonte, PA 16823



April 21, 2021

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Fox Valley & Lake Superior Rail System, L.L.C. -- Acquisition and Operation
Exemption -- Lines of Wisconsin Central Ltd. in the State of Wisconsin

Dear Ms. Brown:

On behalf of Domtar, I am writing in support of the proposed sale of approximately 650 miles of railroad branch lines in Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan by Wisconsin Central Ltd. (CN) to subsidiaries of Watco. As a current customer utilizing rail freight service on those lines, we believe the proposed transaction will help assure the continuation of such service and preserve and enhance our ability to efficiently reach the national rail network.

Watco's railroads are established and experienced rail service providers in the states of Wisconsin and Michigan, and we believe FOXY and GDLK will be strong operators for the rail lines to be acquired in this transaction. We look forward to working with FOXY/GDLK and CN as these important rail lines change ownership.

We understand that the proposed line sales are being processed at the Surface Transportation Board under the agency's exemption procedures, and we support the STB permitting the transaction to become effective through that expedited process.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debbie Campbell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Debbie" and last name "Campbell" clearly distinguishable.

Debbie Campbell
Director Transportation
Domtar