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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:

The Burlington Junction Railway (BJRY) conducts rail operations at Le Mars, IA where it connects with the Canadian National (CN). Our success there depends on CN's success. We are constantly evaluating opportunities in conjunction with CN and like all smaller railroads, we are always looking to find ways to expand our shipper's markets. BJRY supports CN's acquisition of Kansas City Southern (KCS) because of the superior benefits a single-line CN-KCS railway would bring by offering faster, safer, cleaner and more direct service to KCS points and also to Mexico. CN has multiple interchange points with KCS, making the union a good fit. We hope this will open up new opportunities for our customers and us.

Thank you,

Name **DICK KIRCHOFF**
Title **MAYOR**
Company Name **LE MARS, IOWA**

cc: Parties of Record