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Meeting under Section 5, STB Reauthorization Act

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Present: Members Begeman, Fuchs, and Primus
Staff Jonathon Binet, Stephanie Borges, William Brennan, Rachel Campbell,
Allison Davis, Amanda Gorski, Kim Hillenbrand, Ted Hunt, Craig Keats,
Rebecca Morrow, Lisa Novins, Janie Sheng, Chip Vance

Topic: Docket No. FD 36332, Petition by the National Railroad Passenger
Corporation (Amtrak) for Proceeding Under 49 U.S.C. § 24903(c)(2)

Summary of the Matters Discussed, Prepared by General Counsel Craig Keats:

At this meeting, staff briefed Board Members on the petition filed by the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) for an order under 49 U.S.C. § 24903(c)(2) regarding the use of Chicago Union Station by the Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation and the Commuter Rail Division of the Regional Transportation Authority (collectively, Metra). After a proceeding was instituted, the parties engaged in mediation, which resolved some but not all disputed issues. The matter is now back with the Board for resolution. Staff and Board Members discussed the statutory language and legislative history of § 24903(c)(2); the Board's authority to set terms other than compensation, and the extent to which the contract terms at issue may be part of compensation; and options for moving the matter forward.