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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of the Section of Administration
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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423

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Re: Docket # FD 36472, CSX Corporation and CSX Transportation, Inc. - Control and Merger - Pan Am Systems, Inc. et al.

Dear Ms. Brown,

I am writing to express my strong support for the application to the Surface Transportation Board by CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSX) to gain the authority to acquire Pan Am Systems, Inc. and its railroad subsidiaries.

This transaction would allow CSX to acquire almost 1,200 miles of rail network in New England and directly benefit New Hampshire. This acquisition would connect our businesses to markets around the country and result in significant financial investments from CSX to improve the existing Pan Am network in New Hampshire.

CSX will provide financial resources to market the line and expand freight service to companies in New Hampshire. Expanded freight service will benefit our state's highway budget, and the environment by reducing the amount of trucks on the road.

This acquisition would provide New Hampshire with single-line service from CSX that would result in improved freight transportation efficiency by reducing switching and interchange and eliminate the need to hand off between different carriers.

For these reasons, I respectfully ask the Surface Transportation Board to give CSX's application its full and fair consideration, consistent with applicable statutes and regulations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "J. Osborne".

State Representative Jason Osborne
House Majority Leader, NH House of Representatives