



**ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION BUREAU / RAIL SAFETY SECTION**

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Joshua Wayland
Office of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
940 Main Campus Drive, Suite 500
Raileigh, NC 27606

RE: FD 36500, Canadian Pacific Acquisition of Kansas City Southern – EIS Scope

Dear Mr. Wayland:

This office has received numerous communications from communities in Illinois regarding the referenced acquisition.

With the proposed increase in train traffic, we look forward to participating in the EIS process to addresses public highway-rail safety and overall rail safety in Illinois. This includes motorist delay, crossing blockage, emergency planning and response, as well as 49 CFR Part 222 (FRA Train Horn Rule). In its current 5-year Crossing Safety Improvement Program, the Illinois Commerce Commission (Commission) has selected a handful of crossings for warning device improvements along the proposed Canadian Pacific – Kansas City Southern corridor in Illinois. These projects and others that may be proposed during the EIS will be reviewed in accordance with the Illinois Commercial Transportation Law and 92 Illinois Administrative Code.

Representatives from this office will be assigned to the diagnostic reviews and future coordination meetings as they are scheduled. Thank you in advance for including us in the scheduling activities. If you have any questions, please contact me at (312) 636-7760 or Brian.Vercruysse@illinois.gov.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian Vercruysse".

Brian Vercruysse
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