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The Honorable Chris Stewart
166 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Stewart,

Thank you for your recent letter regarding Savage Tooele Railroad Company – Acquisition and Operation Exemption in Tooele County, Utah – Union Pacific Railroad Company, Docket No. 36524. The Board appreciates hearing your views on Savage Tooele Railroad Company's (STR) proposed transaction and its potential impact on businesses in the region.

As you may be aware, on September 30, 2021, the Board held this matter in abeyance, along with the related control notice in Savage Companies – Continuance in Control Exemption – Savage, Bingham & Garfield Railroad Company and Savage Tooele Railroad Company, Docket No. FD 36525. The Board directed STR to clarify whether the anticipated construction and acquisition would be of (a) mainline track, or (b) spur, industrial, team, switching, or side track, or (c) some combination of the two. The Board also sought information as to whether STR will provide common carrier service over all or a portion of the track.

Because this case is pending, I cannot comment further. However, please be assured that the Board will give full and fair consideration to all filings and submissions in this proceeding. A copy of your letter has been placed in the public docket. If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Ms. Janie Sheng, Acting Director of the Board's Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance, at 202-245-0238.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Oberman
Chairman