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Michelle Schultz *and Mark Berman*
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, Washington DC 20423

September 16, 2022

Subject: Canadian Pacific Railway Acquisition of the Kansas City Southern [Docket No. FD 36500]

I have listed my objections to the Canadian Pacific Railway Acquisition of the Kansas City Southern which would increase rail traffic of approximately 14 additional trains per day, on average between Sabula, Iowa and Kansas City, Missouri.

- **Safety** – not only address derailments and collisions, but also the problems related to emergency vehicles trying to cross tracks when access is closed off, long trains continually going through, etc. Canadian Pacific has a negative history of derailments etc.
- **Hazardous materials** – Not knowing what the train cars may carry, we might assume many of these cars may be carrying hazardous waste, crude oil, etc.
- **Noise pollution** – increase with 22+ trains going through daily compared to 7 at this time. Noise includes not only whistles, but grinding and screeching of trains as they go through.
- **Commercial and Residential Property Damage** – The effect on residents living near tracks, reduced access to commercial buildings, the economy of property values, air pollution. The vibration from train traffic could damage historic buildings and foundations.
- **Borders the Iowa Regulatory Floodway – Special Flood Hazard Area Scott County, Iowa Mississippi River FEMA FIRM Mapping Effective Date 03/23/2021**

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