

**BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

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**CANADIAN PACIFIC KANSAS CITY LIMITED AND THE KANSAS CITY
SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY, D/B/A CPKC**

—ACQUISITION AND OPERATION—

**CERTAIN RAIL LINE OF MERIDIAN & BIGBEE RAILROAD, L.L.C., IN
LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AND CHOCTAW AND MARENGO
COUNTIES, ALABAMA**

**APPLICANTS' SUBMISSION OF ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS SUPPORTING
PROPOSED TRANSACTION**

Applicants Canadian Pacific Kansas City Limited and The Kansas City Southern Railway Company respectfully submit the accompanying two additional statements of support for the Board's consideration. These statements are from Mississippi Governor, Tate Reeves, and Mississippi Senator, Jenifer B. Branning, expressing support for the Proposed Transaction. Applicants inadvertently omitted these statements from their Application filed on October 6, 2023.

Dated: October 11, 2023

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have caused the foregoing Applicants' Submission of Additional Statements Supporting the Proposed Transaction to be served electronically or by first class mail, postage pre-paid, on all parties of record in this proceeding.

/s/ David F. Rifkind
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October 11, 2023



State of Mississippi

TATE REEVES
Governor

August 18, 2023

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

**Re: Support Letter for CPKC's Proposed Acquisition of Meridian & Bigbee
Railroad's Line Between Meridian, MS and Myrtlewood, AL**

Dear Ms. Brown:

As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I write to express my support for CPKC's proposed acquisition of a rail line between Meridian, MS and Myrtlewood, AL currently owned by the Meridian & Bigbee Railroad ("MNBR").

The proposed acquisition will directly link two Class I railroads—CPKC and CSX—resulting in more competitive options for intermodal, automotive and other shippers between markets in the southeast United States and markets in the southwest United States and Mexico. At the same time, the proposed acquisition will allow the MNBR to continue serving its existing short-line customers on the acquired line in Alabama and Mississippi. CPKC's ownership of the line will generate investment in the line which, in turn, will promote the safe, reliable and efficient movement of goods, as well as enhance economic development along the newly formed Class I rail corridor.

In view of these many benefits, I urge the Surface Transportation Board to approve CPKC's proposed acquisition expeditiously.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tate Reeves".

Tate Reeves
Governor

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SENATOR JENIFER B. BRANNING

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Leake, Neshoba and Winston Counties

August 14, 2023

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395 E Street SW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: CPKC's Acquisition of Meridian & Bigbee Railroad's Line Between Meridian, MS and Myrtlewood, AL

Dear Ms. Brown:

I am writing to express our support for CPKC's proposed acquisition of a rail line between Meridian, MS and Myrtlewood, AL currently owned by the Meridian & Bigbee Railroad (MNBR).

As chairman of the Senate Highways and Transportation Committee, I understand the connection between rail and jobs. Mississippi's employers are currently served by a strong network of Class I and short-line railroads. Strengthening Mississippi's rail infrastructure is a vital piece of our continued economic development strategy.

By directly linking two Class I railroads—CPKC and CSX—this acquisition will create more competitive options in Mississippi for intermodal, automotive, and other shippers to markets in the southeast United States and markets in the southwest United States and Mexico. At the same time, the acquisition will allow the MNBR to continue serving its existing short-line customers on the acquired line in Alabama and Mississippi. CPKC's ownership of the line will generate investment in the line which, in turn, will promote the safe, reliable, and efficient movement of goods, and enhance economic development along the newly formed Class I rail corridor.

In view of these many benefits, we urge the Surface Transportation Board to approve CPKC's proposed acquisition expeditiously.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Jenifer B. Branning, consisting of a large, stylized 'J' followed by a cursive 'B' and a trailing flourish.

Jenifer B. Branning