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The Honorable Martin J. Oberman, Chairman
United States Surface Transportation Board
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Re: Docket No. EP 774, *Notice of Passenger Rail Advisory Committee Vacancies*

Dear Chairman Oberman:

I write to express CSX Transportation, Inc.'s support for the nomination of Robert Ledoux to serve as a member of the Surface Transportation Board's Passenger Rail Advisory Committee ("PRAC").

I have had the pleasure of knowing and working with Mr. Ledoux for more than 20 years. During those two decades, Mr. Ledoux has gained substantial experience with passenger rail issues. In his current role at the Florida East Coast Railway ("FEC"), Mr. Ledoux regularly interacts with and oversees Tri-Rail's operations in FEC's corridor and understands the challenges associated with navigating freight-passenger relations and shared corridors. Mr. Ledoux also witnessed firsthand the development and implementation of the Brightline passenger service, which operates over some track owned by FEC. If Mr. Ledoux is selected to serve as a PRAC member representing Class II and Class III freight railroad interests, I am confident he will leverage his wealth of freight and passenger rail knowledge to help PRAC accomplish its goals of reducing disputes between freight and passenger railroads improving passenger service performance. And the Board can have confidence in its selection of Mr. Ledoux, because he is thoroughly committed to public service in the rail space as evidenced by his service on numerous boards, including that of the American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association.

Therefore, it is my pleasure to support Robert Ledoux's nomination for service on PRAC representing Class II and Class III freight railroad interests. If there is any additional information I can provide to aid the Board in its decisionmaking, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Livingston".

Tom Livingston
Vice-President – Government & Community Affairs
CSX Transportation, Inc.