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The Honorable Robert E. Primus, Chairman
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RE: Docket No. EP 670 (Sub-No. 2), NOTICE OF RAIL ENERGY TRANSPORTATION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Endorsement for Monica Freeman for the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee

It is with great enthusiasm that I endorse Monica Freeman for a position on the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee of the Surface Transportation Board. Monica Freeman possesses an exemplary blend of experience, expertise, and vision that aligns perfectly with the committee's mission to enhance the efficiency and sustainability of rail energy transportation.

With over 20 years of experience in transportation and logistics, Monica has demonstrated an exceptional understanding of both the operational and regulatory aspects of rail transportation. Her work with CHS Inc, one of the nation's largest rail shippers, has been particularly noteworthy, showcasing the ability to address complex challenges and drive innovative solutions in energy transportation.

Monica's qualifications include serving as the Chairperson of the National Industrial Transportation League's Rail Transportation Committee and serving on the Executive Committee of the Midwest Association of Rail Shippers. Her analytical skills, combined with a deep commitment to sustainability, position them as a forward-thinking leader who can contribute meaningfully to the committee's efforts to modernize and optimize rail energy systems.

In conclusion, Monica Freeman is a highly qualified and dedicated professional who brings both passion and expertise to the table. I am confident that an appointment to the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee will be a significant asset to the Surface Transportation Board and will contribute to the advancement of our national rail energy infrastructure. I strongly support Monica for this important position and encourage others to do the same.

Sincerely,

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