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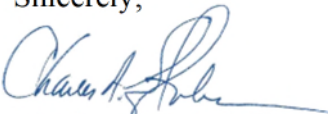
Re: *The Commuter Rail Division of The Regional Transportation Authority and The
Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Transportation Authority D/B/A Metra—
Adverse Abandonment—Omnitrac/Chicago Rail Link, STB Docket No. AB 1337*

Dear Ms. Brown:

Attached for filing in the above-captioned proceeding is the Joint Status Update on behalf of the Commuter Rail Division of the Regional Transportation Authority and Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation (collectively, “Metra”), and Chicago Rail Link, L.L.C.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


Charles A. Spitulnik

Enclosure

**BEFORE THE
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JOINT STATUS UPDATE

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The Commuter Rail Division of the Regional Transportation Authority, an Illinois municipal corporation, and Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation, an Illinois public corporation (collectively, “Metra”), and Chicago Rail Link, L.L.C., a Class III common carrier (“CRL”), submit this joint status update pursuant to the order of the Surface Transportation Board (“STB” or “Board”) issued on April 1, 2025, and the earlier granted motion to hold these proceedings in abeyance issued on February 22, 2024.

The parties remain committed to the negotiation of a resolution of this matter. They continue to evaluate the status of the line and have engaged in productive exchanges of information and discussions regarding the resolution of this matter. The parties plan to continue negotiations and request that the STB continue to hold this proceeding in abeyance. The parties take note of the condition to file a status report every 120 days and will do so in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

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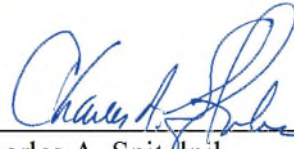


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have, this 8th day of April 2025, served by email a copy of the foregoing Joint Status Update on all parties of record in this proceeding.



Charles A. Spittelnik