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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of Case Administration
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Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

*Re: Fortress Investment Group et al.—Control Exemption—Wheeling & Lake Erie
Railway Company and Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company, FD 36878*

Dear Ms. Brown:

TMS International, LLC ("TMS") submits this letter in support of FTAI Infrastructure, Inc.'s proposed acquisition of the Wheeling Corporation and its railroad subsidiaries, Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway Company ("W&LE") and Akron Barberton Cluster Railway Company.

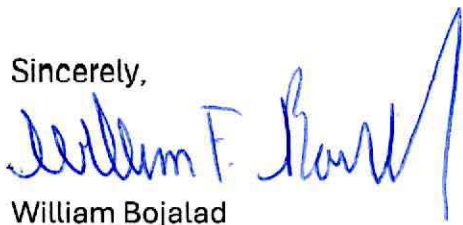
TMS is the leading provider of on-site, industrial steel mill services for steelmakers around the world. Our on-site services include scrap purchasing and optimization, inventory management, logistics, metal recovery, slag processing, steel scarfing, surface conditioning, refractory removal, and maintenance. TMS operates a scrap metal recycling center in West Mifflin, Pennsylvania. That facility is served by two railroads: W&LE and the Union Railroad Company ("URR"), a Transtar railroad.

TMS' rail partners are critical to the success of our business. We rely on URR to move carloads of scrap metal to points east across the Monongahela River, including to U.S. Steel's Edgar Thompson Steel Works in Braddock, PA. TMS also ships scrap metal via W&LE to JSW Steel and Cleveland Cliffs. Following the proposed transaction W&LE and URR will be affiliated and TMS has no objections to the transaction.

URR and the Transtar team have been dependable, responsive, and committed partners with TMS. I am confident that, under common ownership, both URR and W&LE will continue to provide the level and quality of service that TMS requires to meet its customers' needs and has come to expect from these railroads.

TMS respectfully asks the Board to promptly approve FTAI Infrastructure's acquisition of W&LE so that our business can take full advantage of benefits that will result.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "William F. Bojalad", with a long, sweeping flourish extending upwards and to the right.

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