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October 15, 2025

The Honorable Patrick J. Fuchs
Chairman of Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street SW
Washington, DC 20423

Subject: Support for Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern Merger (STB Docket FD 36873)

Dear Chairman Fuchs:

As a first responder in the Borough of Conway, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, I see firsthand how vital dependable infrastructure is to the safety of our neighborhoods. In 2024, Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern trained more than 10,000 first responders, equipping us with tools and knowledge to act fast when every second counts. The training isn't just helpful, it is lifesaving. Strong coordination between railroads and emergency services ensures we are ready to protect our communities when it matters most.

The proposed Union Pacific-Norfolk Southern merger builds on our community partnerships and brings continued investment in rail infrastructure, enhancing public safety, strengthening neighborhood resilience, and creates continuity amongst first responders from coast to coast.

I respectfully urge the Surface Transportation Board to approve this merger swiftly, unlocking the investments, collaborative safety benefits, and broader economic opportunities it will bring.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Levenson", is written over a horizontal line.

Scott Levenson
Borough of Conway Council President

cc: Member Schultz
Member Hedlund