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Chief of Case Administration
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395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: **STB Docket No. FD 36836, Norfolk Southern Corporation & Norfolk Southern Railway Company—Acquisition of Control—Norfolk & Portsmouth Belt Line Railroad Company**

Dear Chief of Case Administration:

Enclosed please find a letter in regard to the application filed by Norfolk Southern Corporation and Norfolk Southern Railway Company in the above-referenced proceeding from the following party:

- Cheryl L. Burke, School Board Representative, District 7, City of Richmond

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Peter W. Denton

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Enclosures

Cheryl L. Burke
School Board Representative
District 7

December 19, 2025

Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of Administration
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: STB Docket No. FD 36836 – Norfolk Southern’s Application to Control NPBL

Dear Ms. Brown,

In public education, we teach our students that fairness is not just a moral virtue — it’s a civic responsibility. The same should hold true for our state’s economic systems.

The Port of Virginia is one of the Commonwealth’s greatest public achievements, but its value depends on fairness and access. Norfolk Southern’s plan to take full control of the Norfolk & Portsmouth Belt Line would weaken those principles. When competition is closed off, opportunity narrows — and that hurts families and schools alike.

We need decisions that build, not divide. I urge the Board to reject this application and preserve the fairness and transparency that keep Virginia’s economy — and its people — strong.

Sincerely,



Cheryl L. Burke
School Board Representative for the Seventh District

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have caused this Letter in Docket No. FD 36836 to be served electronically or by first class mail, postage pre-paid, on the Secretary of Transportation, the Attorney General of the United States, Administrative Law Judge Jenifer Soulikias, Applicants' representative, William Mullins, and all parties of record in this proceeding.

/s/ Jensen Matsuda

Jensen Matsuda
Attorney for CSX Transportation, Inc.

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