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Re: Nomination of Ross Edwards to the Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC)

Dear Chairman Fuchs and Members of the Board:

I am pleased to nominate Ross Edwards, Director of Transportation for Bunge, for appointment to the Surface Transportation Board's Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC).

Ross would represent the interests of agricultural and biofuel feedstock producers, providers, processors, and rail shippers. In his current role at Bunge, he is responsible for transportation strategy and rail logistics supporting one of the world's leading agribusiness and food companies. His responsibilities require daily engagement with rail carriers, grain handlers, agricultural producers, processing facilities, and customers across North America, providing him with a comprehensive understanding of the transportation issues affecting the agricultural sector.

Ross brings more than 25 years of experience in the grain and rail transportation industries. His career uniquely spans both the railroad and shipper perspectives. He began his career in a commodity trader role with a large international grain company before going to work for a Class I railroad, where he gained firsthand experience in the marketing department. He went on to work at another large grain company, returning to commodity trading before taking a senior transportation leadership position in 2016. This combination of experience has provided Ross with a deep understanding of rail operations, transportation strategy, network performance, shipper-carrier relationships, infrastructure investment, and the movement of agricultural commodities and biofuel feedstocks.

Throughout his career, Ross has worked extensively with Class I railroads and a broad range of agricultural stakeholders. His experience includes transportation procurement, rail service evaluation, logistics management, commercial negotiations, operational planning, and the development of strategies to improve supply chain efficiency. These responsibilities have provided him with practical insights into many of the key topics regularly considered by RETAC, including rail service reliability, network capacity, infrastructure needs, equipment availability, and coordination among railroads and agricultural shippers.

Ross is also actively engaged in industry leadership and collaboration, currently serving on the Board of Directors of the Transportation, Elevator and Grain Merchants Association (TEGMA) and is a member of the National Grain and Feed Association Rail Shippers/Receivers Committee. Through these roles, he works

closely with industry participants to address transportation challenges affecting agricultural producers, processors, receivers, and rail shippers throughout the United States.

Ross has confirmed his willingness to serve on RETAC and to devote the time and attention necessary to participate meaningfully in the Committee's work. He also agrees to serve in a representative capacity on behalf of Bunge and the broader agricultural and biofuel-feedstock sectors, rather than in an individual capacity.

I strongly believe Ross's unique combination of railroad and shipper experience, industry leadership, and deep understanding of agricultural transportation issues would make him a valuable addition to RETAC. He would provide the Committee with a practical, informed perspective on the challenges and opportunities facing agricultural rail shippers and the critical supply chains they support.

Thank you for your consideration of his nomination. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding Ross's qualifications for this nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jared Hill".

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