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Applicants[1] respectfully submit the enclosed statement from Georgia Ports Authority supporting the proposed merger between Applicants.

[1] "Applicants" are Union Pacific Corporation ("UPC") and Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") (collectively, "Union Pacific") and Norfolk Southern Corporation ("NSC") and Norfolk Southern Railway Company ("NS") (collectively, "Norfolk Southern").

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this 20th day of November, 2026, the foregoing document was served by first-class mail or email on all parties of record in this proceeding, the Secretary of Transportation, the Attorney General of the United States, and Administrative Law Judge Jenifer Soulikias.

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November 17, 2026

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

Subject: Support for Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern Merger

Dear Chairman Fuchs,

On behalf of the Georgia Ports Authority, I would like to express our support for the proposed merger between Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern. By expanding rail access and improving network efficiency, we believe the merger will enhance Georgia's ability to continue serving as a critical gateway for global commerce.

A strong supply chain depends on transportation partners that provide safe, reliable and cost-effective service. The proposed Union Pacific-Norfolk Southern merger will create the first seamless transcontinental railroad, strengthening connections between our ports and key markets.

The GPA operates Georgia's deepwater ports in Savannah and Brunswick, along with inland terminals in Murray County, Hall County and Bainbridge. Our facilities offer a hub for transportation unmatched in the United States, where ocean, road and rail come together to connect American businesses to global markets. The efficient movement of both raw materials and finished goods through our ports support a significant percentage of Georgia jobs and provide continued economic growth throughout the state and region.

We believe the proposed merger will deliver meaningful benefits for our customers and supply chain partners via:

- **Expanded Market Reach:** A unified transcontinental network will provide more direct access between Georgia's ports and growing markets across the West, Midwest and Gulf Coast, creating new opportunities for shippers and cargo growth.

- **Improved Service Reliability:** Greater network flexibility and more direct routing options will help improve consistency and reduce the risk of service disruptions, supporting the dependable freight flows port customers require.
- **Faster Transit Times:** By eliminating interchange delays where railcars are handed off between railroads, the combined network will accelerate the movement of imports and exports, making rail a more competitive transportation option and enhancing the attractiveness of Georgia's ports.
- **Stronger Supply Chain Capacity:** Increased investment in infrastructure, technology and equipment will improve network fluidity, capacity and safety, helping Georgia accommodate future trade growth while maintaining efficient service.
- **Enhanced Global Competitiveness:** Better rail connectivity from Georgia's ports to inland markets will strengthen the state's position as a premier logistics and distribution hub, benefiting manufacturers, agricultural producers, retailers and consumers throughout the region.

We understand that regulatory review is an important part of this process, and we encourage the relevant authorities to carefully consider the positive impact this merger will have on partners like us and the broader national economy.

Thank you for your consideration of our perspective. We look forward to the enhanced service that this merger will bring.

Sincerely,

Griff Lynch
CEO

Kevin Price
President

cc: Member Schultz
Member Hedlund
Member Kloster