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The Honorable Ann D. Begeman, Chairman
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. St., SW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

**RE: Notice of Intent to Participate at the May 22, 2019 Oversight Hearing on
Demurrage and Accessorial Charges; Docket #: EP – 754**

Dear Chairman Begeman:

Palmer Logistics submits written notification of its intent to speak at the Surface Transportation Board's "Oversight Hearing on Demurrage and Accessorial Charges" scheduled for May 22, 2019.

Palmer Logistics is a third-party warehouse company that handles railcar traffic on behalf of our customers (rail shippers). Our rail customers include cargo on behalf of the US Government (USDA/USAID), BASF Corporation, Covetro LLC, Pacific Coast Producers, Stanislaus Foods, and Goya Foods. On an annual basis, we load approximately 300 boxcars and receive approximately 600 boxcars.

We are very hopeful that the STB will strongly address the unreasonable tariffs regarding demurrage. We look forward to presenting a reasonable approach that will benefit the railroads, suppliers, receivers and ultimately the public interests.

We thank you and the STB Board members for holding this hearing which will hopefully enlighten the Board, the suppliers, and the railroads. We know that if this issue is approached reasonably, and if the STB adopts standards that are reasonable for all, this issue can be minimized and commerce and consumers will be served.

We thank you for your service and your understanding.

Sincerely,

Brett M. Mears
President
Palmer Logistics