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RE: Docket No. FD 34797 (Sub-No.1), New England Transrail LLC, d/b/a Wilmington and Woburn Terminal Railway—Construction, Acquisition & Operation Exemption—in Wilmington and Woburn, Mass.; Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Scope of Study.

Dear «First_Name» «Last_Name»:

New England Transrail, LLC (NET) filed a petition for exemption with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §§ 10502 and 10901 in Docket No. FD 34797 (Sub-No.1). NET intends to acquire, construct and operate various rail lines and construct and operate transloading facilities, where goods and materials are transferred from rail to truck, in the towns of Wilmington and Woburn, Massachusetts. NET proposes to acquire 5,727 feet of existing track, to rehabilitate or construct a combined 10,838 feet of track, and to operate as a rail carrier over the total 16,565 feet of track on and adjacent to property currently owned by the Olin Corporation at 51 Eames Street in Wilmington. According to NET, the principal purpose of the proposed project is to add rail transloading capacity close to the center of the Boston metropolitan area. Further, NET states that the proposed facility would allow for lower rail rates and improved service scheduling for customers.

Because this project has the potential to result in significant environmental impacts, the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) has determined that the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is appropriate pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 et seq.).

Today, OEA issued a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS and Draft Scope of Study for the project, which can be viewed on the Board-sponsored project website at www.NewEnglandTransrailEIS.com by clicking on "Notice of Intent" under "Related Documents and Links."

We invite you to participate in this EIS scoping process and would appreciate your written comments on the Draft Scope of Study by the close of the scoping comment period on

November 29, 2016. Please refer to **Docket No. FD 34797 (Sub-No. 1)** in all correspondence addressed to the Board.

We encourage you to submit scoping comments electronically via email to NewEnglandTransrailEIS@icf.com. You may also send written comments to Danielle Gosselin, OEA's Project Manager for the EIS, at:

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Additionally, a public scoping meeting will be held at the following location on the date listed. The scoping meeting will be held in an open house format for the first half hour followed by a brief presentation by OEA. After the presentation, interested parties will be provided an opportunity to provide oral public comment.

- October 25, 2016; 5:30-8:00 p.m. at Wilmington Middle School, 25 Carter Lane, Wilmington, MA 01887

Following the scoping period, OEA will review the scoping comments and then issue a Final Scope of Study that defines the range of actions, alternatives, and impacts to be considered in the EIS. ICF, OEA's third-party contractor, will be assisting OEA throughout the EIS process and may contact you directly regarding scoping, data required for the EIS, etc.

To help us ensure adequate, timely communication, we ask that you please sign up to be added to the project's email distribution list. To sign up, please go to the project website at www.NewEnglandTransrailEIS.com, click on "Project Mailing List" and complete and submit the form.

If you have any questions concerning agency coordination, the Board's EIS process, or need specific information about the proposed project, please feel free to contact Danielle Gosselin of my staff by phone at (202) 245-0300 or by email at danielle.gosselin@stb.gov. We appreciate your assistance and look forward to your participation in the Board's environmental review process for this project.

Sincerely,



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