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Surface Transportation Board
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Attention: Danielle Gosselin
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Re: Environmental Filing FD 35116

Dear Ms. Gosselin,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the R.J. Corman Railroad/Pennsylvania Lines Inc. proposed rail line construction, operation, and reactivation in Clearfield and Centre Counties, PA (Docket No. FD 35116). The Pennsylvania Game Commission (PGC) reviewed this document for potential impacts to species and resources of concern under PGC responsibility, which includes birds and mammals only.

The PGC concurs the 3.1-mile new roadway construction associated with the Black Rock Road alternative would have a greater potential to impact threatened and endangered species than the original Local Road System Upgrade alternative or either of the rail alternatives. Likewise, the PGC concurs that the Modified Proposed Action is the environmentally preferable to the Proposed Action, and is the environmentally preferable alternative for this project.

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Sincerely,

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