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Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20423



Re: STB Docket No. 42070

Dear Sir or Madam:

We have been informed that the CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") may be required to produce a copy of Contract CSXT68456 (the "Contract") between CSXT and Quaker Coal Sales Company ("Quaker") in the above referenced proceeding. AEP Kentucky Coal, L.L.C. ("AEP") has succeeded to the rights of Quaker pursuant to the Contract. We further understand that the Contract would be designated "Highly Confidential".

Nonetheless, we are hereby requesting that the STB deny Duke Energy Corporation's motion to compel the production of the Contract. We do not believe that it is appropriate that AEP's competitors can acquire information setting forth AEP's operating costs by filing an action with the STB. Those companies could then use such information to AEP's detriment. Alternatively, we propose that the Contract be redacted to delete financially sensitive material prior to its being produced.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tim Stanley".

Tim Stanley  
Manager, Transportation & Marketing  
on behalf of AEP Kentucky Coal, L.L.C.

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Office of the Secretary

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