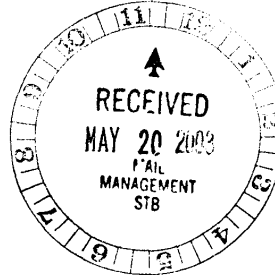


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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
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1925 K Street, NW
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RE: *Kansas City Southern -- Control -- The Kansas City Southern Railway Company,
Gateway Eastern Railway Company, And The Texas Mexican Railway Company
(STB Finance Docket No. 34342)*

Dear Mr. Williams:

This letter is in support of the proposed control application of the Kansas City Southern ("KCS") to continue to control The Kansas City Southern Railway Company ("KCSR") and Gateway Eastern Railway Company ("Gateway Eastern") and gain control of The Texas Mexican Railway Company ("Tex Mex"). Our company ships Sulfuric Acid from Texas and Louisiana to multiple locations using the KCS Railroad, among others.

We support the transaction for KCS to control KCSR, Gateway Eastern, and Tex Mex. This end-to-end transaction will have no competitive harms. We believe this transaction will benefit Shrieve Chemical by facilitating improved transit times for shipments and opening the potential for us to expand our markets. We believe this transaction will improve service through Houston and provide more consistent and reliable service between the Mid-West United States to the Mexican border. Finally, we believe this transaction should proceed as a minor transaction and conclude at the earliest possible time.

Best regards,



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VERIFIED STATEMENT
OF
Jack Weaverling
on behalf of
Shrieve Chemical Company

My name is Jack Weaverling. I am the Vice President – Sulfur Products of Shrieve Chemical Company located at 1717 Woodstead Court, The Woodlands, Texas 77380. I have been employed in my present capacity for the past 13 years and I am indirectly responsible for the procurement and maintenance of efficient and reliable transportation service for Shrieve Chemical. This verified statement is written in support of the Kansas City Southern's ("KCS") application to control The Kansas City Southern Railway Company ("KCSR"), Gateway Eastern Railway Company ("Gateway Eastern") and The Texas Mexican Railway Company ("Tex Mex") filed at the Surface Transportation Board ("Board").

In 1978, Shrieve Chemical Company began marketing chemicals in Houston, Texas. Today our business has grown to include storage tanks in multiple states and distribution throughout the United States. Industrial chemicals continue to be a large portion of our business. However, throughout the years, we have expanded our market base to include both inorganic and organic chemicals.

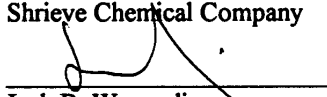
Shrieve's logistics expertise enables us to utilize various modes of transportation, including rail. Our dedicated equipment from common and contract carriers ensures delivery of product in the most efficient way possible.

We understand that KCS is seeking authority to continue to control KCS's two railroads, KCSR and Gateway Eastern and gain control of Tex Mex. KCS and Tex Mex already operate as joint venture partners and we believe this step will strengthen rail competition and provide improve service and routing for shippers on KCSR and Tex Mex. The common control of KCSR and Tex Mex is an end-to-end combination that will have no adverse impacts. We believe this transaction should proceed as a minor transaction and conclude at the earliest possible time.

I, Jack Weaverling, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this verified statement.

Executed this 14th day of May, 2003.

Shrieve Chemical Company



Jack B. Weaverling
Vice President – Sulfur Products