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Honorable Roger Nober  
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1925 K Street, N.W.  
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Re: BP Amoco Chemical Company v. Norfolk Southern Railway Company,  
STB Docket No. 42093

Dear Chairman Nober:

On behalf of our client, Norfolk Southern Railway Company, we write to comment on the June 23, 2005, letter of BP Amoco's counsel, Mr. McBride, asking that the above-referenced case be dismissed in view of the mediated settlement reached by the parties on June 22, 2005.

We wish to second Mr. McBride's expression of thanks to the Board for its handling of this matter. We especially found the participation of Rachel Campbell as mediator and of Kent Phillips as her advisor to be helpful to the process, particularly given their appreciation and understanding of the information discussed during the mediation sessions, much of which was technical and required specialized knowledge to comprehend. Norfolk Southern joins with BP Amoco in extending its thanks to Ms. Campbell, Mr. Phillips and the Board members and their staffs for their courtesies and cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Paul Moates'.

G. Paul Moates

cc: Rachel Campbell, Esq.  
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