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The Honorable Roger P. Nober  
Chairman, Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street NW  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Dear Chairman Nober:

I understand that the Surface Transportation Board will be holding a public hearing next week to recognize the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Stagger Rail Act of 1980. Since a representative of Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores will not be present at the hearing, we would like you to know that, as a major shipper of fuel in the United States, we believe the Surface Transportation Board should promote a federal regulatory policy that does not inhibit the railroads from making the necessary investments to expand their rail infrastructure. In short, we believe the United States needs additional freight rail capacity.

Thank you for taking the time to hear our view.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Love", written in a cursive style.

Tom Love