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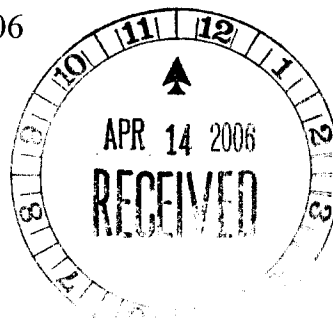
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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20423

Re: Finance Docket No. 34839, Norfolk Southern Corporation and
Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Control and Consolidation
Exemption – Algers, Winslow and Western Railway Company

Dear Secretary Williams:

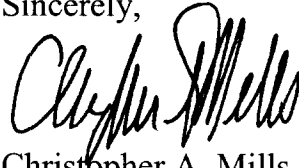
PSI Energy, Inc. ("PSI") has received the April 11, 2006 "Rebuttal" filing by Norfolk Southern Corporation and Norfolk Southern Railway Company (collectively "NS") in the above proceeding, as well as the April 12, 2006 letter submitted on behalf of Indianapolis Power and Light Company ("IPL"). IPL's April 12 letter requests the Board to "establish a procedural schedule in this proceeding that at a minimum permits IPL and the other parties of record at least 20 days to respond to NSR's and NSC's filing." After reviewing NS's "Rebuttal" filing PSI agrees with IPL that the Board should establish a procedural schedule for this matter that permits interested parties to respond in writing to NS's filing.

As IPL notes in its letter, NS's "Rebuttal" filing contains a great deal of additional information about the proposed acquisition transaction and its effects on competition that was not included in the original petition for exemption. It also contains numerous statements about the Indiana coal market and PSI's (and NS's) position in it that are incorrect and warrant a response. Had these statements been made in NS's case-in-chief, PSI would have been able to respond to them in its prior reply filing in this proceeding. Under the circumstances it would be unfair and an abuse of the Board's processes to permit NS's April 11 filing to be the last word with respect to the competitive impacts of the proposed transaction.

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For these reasons, PSI hereby joins in IPL's request that the Board treat NS's April 11, 2006 filing as its case-in-chief and establish a procedural schedule for the submission of further written evidence and argument by parties opposed to the transaction in its present form.

Sincerely,

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

Christopher A. Mills
An Attorney for PSI Energy, Inc.

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cc: Parties of record