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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. 34963
James Riffin, d/b/a The Raritan Valley Connecting
Railroad – Acquisition and Operation Exemption –
On Raritan Valley Connecting Track

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Dear Secretary Williams:

Bridgewater Resources, Inc. ("BRI") hereby requests leave to intervene in the above-referenced proceeding as a party of record. BRI has a substantial interest in this proceeding because it has an exclusive leasehold interest in the right-of-way underlying the trackage in issue, owns almost all of the trackage itself, and owns the railroad bridge where the trackage crosses the Raritan River. BRI uses this trackage for rail shipments of various waste products from its solid waste transfer facility in Bridgewater Township, Somerset County, NJ.

Rail switching service to BRI's waste transfer facility is presently provided by Norfolk Southern Railway Company, using the trackage in question. Such switching service is the subject of Finance Docket No. 33388 (Sub-No. 100), *CSX Corporation, et al. – Control and Operating Leases/Agreements – Conrail Inc., et al. (Petition for Supplemental Order)*, which is presently pending before the Board.

BRI takes no position at this time with respect to the matters raised in the amended notice of exemption in this proceeding. Nor does BRI see any reason to

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consolidate this proceeding with Finance Docket No. 33388 (Sub-No. 100) at this time.
BRI reserves the right to address these matters at a later date, if appropriate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christopher A. Mills". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Christopher" and last name "Mills" clearly distinguishable.

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