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Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

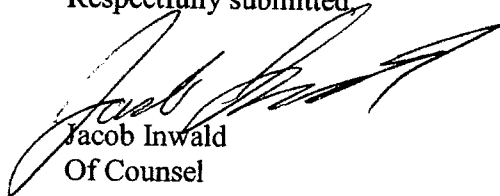
Re: Finance Docket No. ³³³⁸⁸~~32888~~ (Sub-No. ¹⁰¹~~100~~), CSX Transportation, Inc.
Petition for Declaratory Order

Dear Secretary Williams:

This firm is counsel to Frank Vitale and Francis Vitale, respondents in the above-referenced proceeding commenced by CSX Transportation, Inc. by Petition dated October 4, 2007. I write to respectfully request, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1104.7(b), a 30-day extension of the time for the Vitales to serve and file a reply to the Petition, to and including November 26, 2007. We submit that a 30-day extension in which to respond to the Petition, which totals approximately 150 pages of materials (including the Petition and Exhibits), is reasonable in order to allow sufficient time for counsel to respond comprehensively. Furthermore, we have spoken with Louis Gitomer, Esq., counsel for Petitioner CSX Transportation, Inc., and he has consented to our request for a 30-day extension.

Many thanks for your attention to the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,

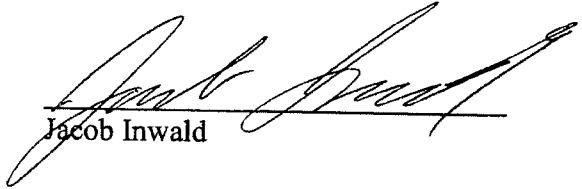

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Of Counsel

cc: Louis E. Gitomer, Esq. (by facsimile no. 410-332-0885 and Federal Express)
Richard M. Zuckerman, Esq.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on October 15, 2007, I caused one true and correct copy of the foregoing Request for Extension of Time to Serve and File a Reply to be served both by facsimile and Federal Express overnight delivery service upon:

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