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**The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423**

**Re: STB Docket No. FD 35087 Canadian National Railway Company and Grand Truck
Corporation's Acquisition of Control of the EJ&E West Company**

Dear Secretary Williams:

Please accept this letter as notice that the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning intends to participate in the above-referenced proceeding. I understand that this notice serves as the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning's (CMAP) self designation as a Party of Record in the STB proceedings. I request that CMAP be added to the service list and receive copies of all motions, pleadings, correspondence and other filings made in connection with the above-referenced proceeding at the following address:

**Randall S. Blankenhorn, Executive Director
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The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) was created to integrate planning for land use and transportation in the seven counties of northeastern Illinois. Metropolitan Chicago has 283 municipalities, with over 8 million residents and is expected to grow by 2 million residents and 1.2 million jobs by 2030. CMAP is developing strategies to address this growth's serious implications for transportation, housing, economic development, open space, the environment, and natural resources. See www.cmap.illinois.gov for more information. Should you need any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randall S. Blankenhorn", is written over a horizontal line.

**Randall S. Blankenhorn
Executive Director**

cc: Parties of Record