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Chairman Daniel R. Elliott, III  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street SW  
Washington DC 20423-0001

Re: Docket No. EP (Sub-No.6)  
Railroad – Shipper Transportation Advisory Council (RSTAC)

Dear Chairman Elliot,

I am writing in support of Lawrence Malski's application to serve as a member of the Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council (RSTAC). Mr. Malski currently serves as President of the Pennsylvania Northeast Regional Rail Authority headquartered in Scranton PA. Mr. Malski serves as the day to day manager of this Rail Authority which owns 100 miles of track and provides common carrier rail service to 25 industries in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Under his leadership Pennsylvania Northeast Railway (PNRRA), the successor to the Lackawanna County and Monroe County Railroad Authorities, has consistently grown its service levels during its history. Early in its existence the railroad began with 393 carloadings per year growing that number to 7086 carloadings in 2013. The credit for the growth experienced by PNRRA has been due in large measure to Mr. Malski's attention to the local marketplace and his ability to work with his partners to deliver the highest possible level of service and convenience.

I am proud to recommend Larry because I believe his 45 years of rail experience will be valuable to you and other members of the Surface Transportation Board. I am certain his significant degree of experience will allow him to bring a unique perspective and viewpoint to matters that come before the board. It is with full confidence that I recommend him as a candidate for a vacancy on the Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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