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Chairman Daniel R. Elliott III
Vice Chairman Ann D. Begeman
Commissioner Debra L. Miller
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423

Re: STB Docket No. 35960 – Petition of Union Pacific Railroad Co. for Declaratory Order

Dear Chairman Elliott, Vice Chairman Begeman, and Commissioner Miller:

The Port of Los Angeles (Port) is America's busiest container port, handling 8.3 million twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs) in 2014. We are served by four modern on-dock rail facilities; a near-dock rail facility, and two major rail yards located near downtown Los Angeles. Roughly one-third of all the containers that arrive at the Port are moved by rail to any of 14 major freight hubs across the country, which makes the efficient and reliable provision of rail service a top priority.

Continued development of rail infrastructure at the Port and throughout the region is critical to accommodate growth and reduce impacts of freight movement on local communities. The San Pedro Bay Ports' rail infrastructure program, the projects of the Alameda Corridor East Construction Authority, and additional investment by the railroads are all critically important to our continued ability to serve as the nation's premiere gateway for international trade.

The issues raised in the Petition for Declaratory Order (STB Docket No. 35960) have the potential to impact continued infrastructure investment and the competitiveness of our interconnected freight system. Therefore, the Port respectfully requests that you initiate a proceeding in this matter to resolve the issues presented by Union Pacific's petition.

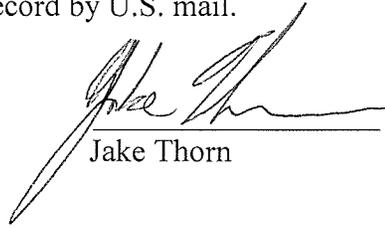
Sincerely,



EUGENE D. SEROKA
Executive Director

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 19th day of November 2015, I caused a copy of the foregoing letter to be served to all parties of record by U.S. mail.



Jake Thorn