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RE: Finance Docket No. 35873
Norfolk Southern Railway Co. - Acquisition and Operation - Certain Rail Lines of
Delaware & Hudson Railway Company, Inc.

Dear Board Members:

The New York, Susquehanna and Western Railway Corporation ("NYS&W") submits this letter in support of the application by Norfolk Southern Railway Company ("NS") to acquire and operate certain rail lines owned by Delaware & Hudson Railway Company ("D&H").

NYS&W is a Class III carrier interchanging traffic with both NS and D&H at Binghamton, NY. NYS&W also interchanges traffic with CSX Transportation at Syracuse, NY and North Bergen, NJ, and with NS at Jersey City, NJ. Although NYS&W's railcar volumes have increased in recent years, NYS&W's interchange traffic with D&H has declined significantly to the point that it is de minimus; accordingly, NYS&W anticipates no negative impact of a loss of the D&H routing alternative.

Currently, NYS&W's tracks cross both NS and D&H lines in Binghamton, NY with each railroad controlling different parts of the terminal area. NYS&W anticipates that NS' control of the D&H lines in the Binghamton terminal area, reducing the number of controlling railroads from three to two, will improve operating efficiencies and reduce delays to NYS&W trains.

Accordingly, NYS&W believes the proposed transaction is in the public interest. We urge its approval.

Sincerely,


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