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The Honorable Peter A. DeFazio
Ranking Member
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
2134 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ranking Member DeFazio,

Thank you for your letter dated July 8, 2016, concerning a complaint proceeding before the Surface Transportation Board (STB): *American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers v. BNSF Railway Company*, NOR 42146. We appreciate hearing your views.

Because this matter is pending before the agency, we cannot directly respond to the concerns expressed in your letter. However, we are carefully reviewing your comments as well as those submitted by the parties to this matter. A copy of your letter has been added to the docket in this proceeding and posted on the STB's website. Lucille Marvin, Director of our Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance, will keep you apprised of the procedural status of this proceeding. You may contact her at 202-245-0238.

Again, thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts regarding this matter. Please continue to keep us informed of your views on matters concerning the STB that are important to you.

Sincerely,

Daniel R. Elliott III
Chairman

Deb Miller
Vice Chairman

Ann D. Begeman
Board Member