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Surface Transportation Board
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RE: Fort Transfer Company – Verified Petition for Expedited Relief for Service Emergencies –
Tazewell County, Illinois – STB Docket No. FD 35914

Dear Ms. Brown:

On March 11, 2015, a representative from Keokuk Junction Railway Company (“KJRY”) contacted the Assistant Superintendent Dispatch Operations in the Division Office of the Illinois Division of Norfolk Southern Railway Company (“NSR”) seeking details that would enable it to operate over NSR’s line of railroad between East Peoria and Crandall Junction as a result of Fort Transfer Company’s emergency service petition filed pursuant to 49 USC 11123(a) and 49 CFR 1146.1. Without weighing in on the merits of the shipper’s complaint, NSR requests that if the Board considers granting Fort Transfer Company’s petition, the Board require that any KJRY operations over NSR’s lines be subject to the following requirements:

- 1) KJRY shall pay to NSR compensation currently being paid by Toledo, Peoria & Western Railway pursuant to its trackage rights agreement with NSR;
- 2) KJRY must maintain adequate insurance given the nature of its operations and the nature of the commodities to be transported;
- 3) KJRY’s crews operating over the line must be qualified for operation over the line;
- 4) KJRY and NSR agree on the allocation of liability and indemnity arrangement that will govern the operations; and
- 5) KJRY shall perform any necessary maintenance to the interlocking and diamond at Crandall Junction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maquiling B. Parkerson", written in a cursive style.