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VERIFIED STATEMENT

of

Frank DiCristina

on behalf of

Allnex USA

My name is Frank DiCristina. I am the Site Manager of the Allnex Wallingford Plant, 528 S Cherry Street, Wallingford, CT 06492. I have served in this capacity since September of 2014.

Allnex is a global Coating Resins manufacturer with 4000 employees and 33 manufacturing facilities. Our facility in Connecticut depends heavily on the Genesee & Wyoming for inbound rail service. We have 115 employees and operate 2 production facilities on this site.

On August 31, 2016 Genesee & Wyoming Inc. ("G&W") filed with the Surface Transportation Board a Petition for Exemption to acquire control of Providence and Worcester Railroad Company ("P&W"), a Class III railroad operating in Connecticut, New York, Rhode Island and Massachusetts.

My experiences working with G&W-owned railroads have been very positive. G&W-owned railroads provide freight service to many areas of Connecticut that otherwise would have no access to the national rail network without short line service. Genesee & Wyoming Inc. has a very strong record of acquiring short lines throughout the United States, investing in the properties, and growing business. In my experience, G&W-owned short lines provide safe, reliable rail freight service that helps support jobs in our state.

I understand that G&W will continue to operate P&W operate as a separate railroad. However, I am sure the overall corporate focus, professionalism and the commitment to safety and service will definitely be beneficial for the P&W.

For these reasons, I strongly support G&W's petition and control of P&W, and ask for expedited review and approval of it by the Surface Transportation Board.

I, Frank DiCristina, declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the United States, that the foregoing is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this verified statement.



Frank DiCristina, Site Manager, Allnex USA

October 7, 2016

cc: All parties of record