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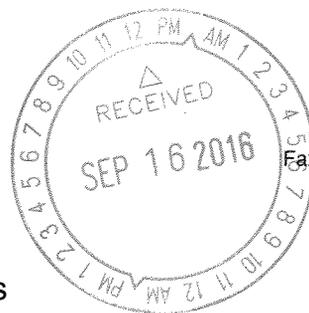
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The Honorable Ann K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
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Re: Jersey Marine Rail, LLC--Petition for a Declaratory Order
STB Finance Docket No: 36063

Dear Ms. Campbell:

The City of Linden understands that Jersey Marine Rail, LLC ("JMR") proposes to construct and operate a Class III Switching Railroad in the Tremley Point section of Linden, New Jersey. Tremley Point is an old industrial area which the City is trying to revive to increase employment and to provide a significant contribution to its tax base.

Rail service is a critical part of this process. While one customer in the Tremley Point area currently receives rail service from Conrail, the lack of track capacity and the state of disrepair of other tracks prevents rail service to other potential customers. If JMR's efforts succeed, it will provide much needed rail service to potential properties and customers not currently serviced by Conrail.

The City of Linden supports JMR's proposal and urges you to approve it as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Hon. Derek Armstead



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To Whom It May Concern:

I certify that my office has on this day served copies of the STB Docket No. FD 36063 (Jersey Maine Rail LLC) document upon the following parties of record in this proceeding via E-Mail:

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Sincerely,

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