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RE: STB Docket EP 526 (Sub-No. 4), Notice of Railroad-Shipper Transportation  
Advisory Council Vacancy

Dear Sir/Madam,

This letter is in support of the nomination of Mr. James W. Palmer of Allied Universal Corporation ("Allied") to fill the Small Shipper vacancy on the Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council ("RSTAC").

Allied has been a Chlorine Institute ("CI" or "Institute")<sup>1</sup> member since 1973 and has been a key participant in many capacities over the years. Mr. Palmer has served as an Allied representative on various task groups and Committees and currently serves on the Institute's Board of Directors. He has provided constructive and insightful input into many of CI's collaborative efforts which are focused on the safe production, handling, distribution and use of our mission chemicals, which include chlorine, caustic soda, hydrochloric acid and sodium hypochlorite.

I believe that Mr. Palmer would be an excellent choice to fill the current small shipper vacancy on the RSTAC. He works in a very cooperative and open-minded manner and is not afraid to speak up when ideas are being sought or discussed. Mr. Palmer would bring different perspectives to the group with Allied being both a railcar receiver and sodium hypochlorite shipper.

I appreciate your willingness to consider Mr. Palmer for the Small Shipper vacancy and would be glad to provide additional information, if needed.

Sincerely,

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President  
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<sup>1</sup> CI is a 200 member, not-for-profit trade association of chlor-alkali producers worldwide, as well as packagers, distributors, users, and suppliers. The Institute's North American Producer members account for more than 93 percent of the total chlorine production capacity of the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. Chlorine and related chemicals, including caustic and hydrochloric acid, are used throughout the U.S. economy and are key to the protection of public health.