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**RE: Nomination of James W. Palmer, Surface Transportation Board, RSTAC
Small Shipper Vacancy**

As Chairman of the Board of Allied Universal Corporation, I would like to nominate James W. Palmer, President/CEO of Allied Universal Corporation, for the Small Shipper Vacancy on the Railroad Shipper Transportation Advisory Committee (RSTAC).

Mr. Palmer is willing to serve out the remainder of the Small Shipper Representative term, and he is willing to serve until December 31, 2014.

Allied Universal Corporation employs over 300 people, with 7 domestic locations spread throughout the Eastern part of the United States and service the United States, as well as the Caribbean and Central America.

The products Allied produces or re-packages are used primarily in the water purification, as well as industrial applications. Allied has a fleet of its own railcars to ship Sodium Hypochlorite, plus it receives railcars at all of its facilities it currently has throughout the United States.

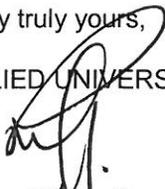
James Palmer is currently the President/CEO of Allied Universal Corporation and has direct responsibility for overseeing the rail shipments, as well as the products received by rail, at all our facilities. He currently holds a position on the Board of Directors for the Chlorine Institute and also is quite involved in several Task Groups and committees, with NSF as well as with National Association of Chemical Distributors (NACD).

Mr. Palmer holds an under graduate degree in Chemistry from the University of Evansville and holds a Masters Degree in Inorganic Chemistry from Vanderbilt.

Thank you for your consideration of this nomination. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call me.

Very truly yours,

ALLIED UNIVERSAL CORPORATION


Robert Namoff
Chairman of the Board

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