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The Honorable Chris Collins
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Brian Higgins
United States House of Representatives
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The Honorable Paul D. Tonko
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tom Reed
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Richard L. Hanna
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Christopher Gibson
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressmen Collins, Higgins, Tonko, Reed, Hanna, and Gibson:

Thank you for your letter dated December 18, 2014, regarding the application filed by Norfolk Southern Railway Company to acquire and operate certain rail lines of the Delaware & Hudson Railway Co., Inc. This proceeding is docketed at the Board as FD 35873, *Norfolk Southern Railway Co. – Acquisition and Operation – Certain Rail Lines of The Delaware and Hudson Railway Co., Inc.*

As you may know, on December 16, 2014, the Board issued a decision finding the proposed acquisition to be a “minor” transaction and adopted a procedural schedule for this docket in accordance with that designation. Under the current schedule, public comments are due no later than January 21, 2015, responses to those initial comments are due no later than March 31, 2015, and the Board will issue a final decision no later than May 15, 2015.

We appreciate knowing your support for the proposed transaction, and you can be assured that it will receive full and fair consideration by the Board. Your letter and our response will be made part of the public docket for these proceedings.

Thank you again for contacting us. Should you or your staff have any questions or concerns, please contact Lucille Marvin, Director of the Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance, at 202-245-0238.

Sincerely,

Deb Miller
Acting Chairman

Ann D. Begeman
Vice Chairman