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Re: **Finance Docket No. 35731**
Ballard Terminal Railroad Company, L.L.C. -- Acquisition
and Operation Exemption -- Woodinville Subdivision

Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 465X)
BNSF Railway Company -- Abandonment
Exemption -- In King County, WA

Dear Ms. Brown:

In its November 6, 2013 Order in the above-referenced dockets, the Board requested that Ballard reply to the reactivation opponents' Motion for Protective Order by today's date. As Ballard has explained to counsel for King County and Sound Transit, it is not in a position to know how comprehensive the opponents' productions have been thus far, nor is it in a position to know the extent of substantive information contained in documents not yet produced. To the extent that King County, Kirkland, and Sound Transit represent that the documents and discovery responses produced thus far comprehensively address their efforts to permanently prevent freight operations on the Woodinville-Bellevue Line, in addition to their efforts to dissuade shipper support of reactivation, then Ballard will rely on that representation.

Very truly yours,



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Railroad Company, L.L.C.

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cc: All Parties of Record (via electronic and First Class Mail)