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October 20, 2010

Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423

RE: Finance Docket No. 35426, *Columbia & Cowlitz Railway, LLC—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Columbia & Cowlitz Railway Company*

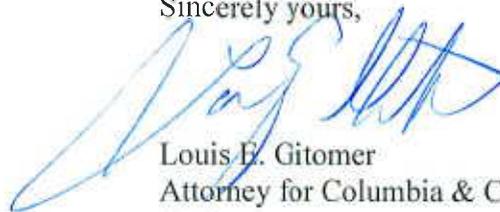
Dear Ms. Brown:

Columbia & Cowlitz Railway, LLC (“CLC”) has agreed to acquire from Columbia & Cowlitz Railway Company the 8.5-mile rail line between Longview, milepost 0.0, and Ostrander Junction, milepost 8.5, including auxiliary and spur tracks, all in Cowlitz County, WA (the “Line”).

On behalf of CLC, I hereby certify that (1) on October 20, 2010, the attached Notice was posted at the workplace of the employees on the Line; and (2) on October 20, 2010, CLC served the letter in Attachment 1 on the national offices of all labor unions with employees on the Line identified in Attachment 2.

CLC is efilings this certification. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please call or email me.

Sincerely yours,



Louis E. Gitomer
Attorney for Columbia & Cowlitz Railway,
LLC

Enclosures

ATTACHMENT 1 – NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

October 20, 2010

**COLUMBIA & COWLITZ RAILWAY, LLC
and PATRIOT WOODS RAILROAD, LLC**

**NOTICE TO COLUMBIA & COWLITZ RAILWAY COMPANY and
WEYERHAEUSER WOODS PRIVATE RAILROAD EMPLOYEES OF ACQUISITION**

The following "Notice to Employees" is required by the Surface Transportation Board.

Pursuant to Surface Transportation Board regulations at 49 C.F.R. §§ 1150.32(e), the Columbia & Cowlitz Railway, LLC ("CLC") and Patriot Woods Railroad, LLC ("PWDR"), hereby provides notice to the employees of the Columbia & Cowlitz Railway Company ("CLCW") and Weyerhaeuser Woods Private Railroad ("Woods-W") that CLC intends to acquire and operate approximately 8.5 miles of CLCW's line of railroad between Longview, milepost 0.0, and Ostrander Junction, milepost 8.5, including auxiliary and spur tracks, and PWDR intends to acquire and operate approximately 21.5 miles of Woods-W's line of railroad between Ostrander Junction, milepost 8.5, and Green Mountain, milepost 30.0, including auxiliary and spur tracks, all in Cowlitz County, WA (the "Line") effective on or about December 21, 2010.

As a result of the acquisition, CLC and PWDR expect to jointly hire approximately:

- 3 Management personnel
- 22 Locomotive Mechanics / Car Builders / Train & Engine personnel

CLC and PWDR shall offer employment to substantially all of the employees listed above at salary or wage levels that are comparable to those paid by CLCW and Woods-W. Employees will be provided benefits comparable to those at other Patriot Rail Corp. railroads. Employment will be available without regard to race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status or disability. Employees may be required to pass a pre-employment drug and alcohol screen, background check and complete a medical questionnaire, and may be required to take a physical exam.

CLCW and Woods-W employees interested in continued employment with CLC and PWDR should contact J.D. Ventreck at 501-276-8120.

ATTACHMENT 2 – LABOR UNIONS SERVED

United Transportation Union
24950 Country Club Blvd., Ste. 340
North Olmsted, OH 44070-5333