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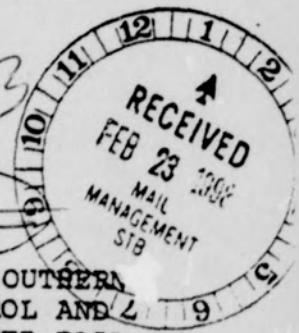
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Comes now Joseph C. Szabo,<sup>1/</sup> for and on behalf of United Transportation-Illinois Legislative Board (UTU-IL), and submits this brief in opposition to approval of the above-referenced transactions.

Protestant on August 7, 1997, filed a notice of intent to participate; on August 22, 1997 he filed comments with respect to Sub-Nos. 2 thru 7 (JCS-1); on October 21, 1997, comments were filed on behalf of UTU-IL, by the Assistant Director for UTU-IL, John H. Burner, with respect to the basic transaction in F.D. No. 33388 (UTU/IL-1); on December 15, 1997, he filed comments with respect to Sub-Nos. 36, 59, and 80 (UTU/IL-2).<sup>2/</sup>

It is clear from the record which has been compiled thus far that the CSX and NS proposal to divide Conrail would be contrary to the public interest, and harmful to railroad employees. The proposed transactions would be particularly adverse to the Chicago area, and

<sup>\*/</sup> Embraces also Sub-Nos. 2 thru 7, and Sub-Nos. 35, 59, 80.

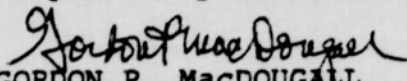
<sup>1/</sup> Illinois Legislative Director for United Transportation Union, with offices at 8 So. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60603.

<sup>2/</sup> Another verified statement, also labeled JCS-1 (incorrectly) and filed October 21, 1997, is not part of the UTU/IL submission.

best interests and commerce of the state of Illinois.

The Board is required to consider the interests of all rail employees, not merely those of applicant carriers, in determining the public interest. Such a consideration, along with other factors, requires denial of the application, and the various related Sub-numbered proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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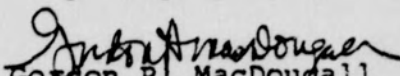
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