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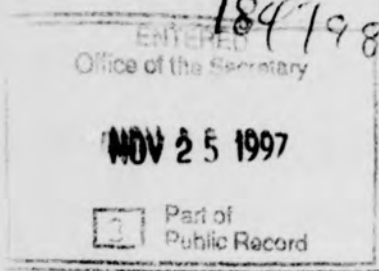
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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

Re: **Finance Docket No. 33388 (Sub. No. 72)**
**CSX Corporation and CSX Transportation, Inc., Norfolk Southern
Corporation and Norfolk Southern Railway Co. — Control and Operating
Leases/Agreements — Conrail, Inc. and Consolidated Rail Corporation**

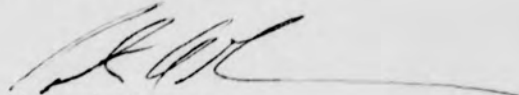
Dear Secretary Williams:

Belvidere & Delaware River Railway ("BDRV") and the Black River & Western Railroad ("BRW") have reached agreement with Norfolk Southern Corporation with regard to the matters that are the subject of its responsive application in the above-referenced case. For this reason, BDRV and BRW hereby withdraw their Joint Responsive Application for Trackage Rights on Behalf of the BDRV and BRW.

In addition, please accept this letter as a statement on behalf of BDRV and BRW in support of the primary application.

Please acknowledge receipt by date-stamping the extra copy of this letter and returning it to bearer.

Very truly yours,



Peter A. Greene

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cc: Counsel for Primary Applicants
Counsel for New Jersey Department of Transportation