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Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street SW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: Small Shipper Representation on Council

It is my pleasure to recommend Elliot Pomeranz for a Small Shipper member position on the Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council (RSTAC).

For more than 30 years, Wastequip has been an industry leader in the design and manufacture of innovative, containerized solutions for the rail transportation of environmentally sensitive materials. Throughout that entire period, Wastequip has been proud to work closely with EPIC, building 100 percent of their sludge container fleet. Over the past eight years, under Elliot's leadership, EPIC has continued to grow its sludge and soil business while significantly increasing shipment volumes through innovation and expansion into new markets.

I have worked directly with Elliot on several projects over the years and have consistently observed his ability to build strong relationships, organize resources effectively, and navigate challenges to ensure successful outcomes for both his organization and project partners. He brings a practical, solutions-oriented approach to complex transportation issues.

EPIC's unique industry perspective makes Elliot an excellent representative for the STB and RSTAC. EPIC works daily with all North American Class I railroads, as well as numerous short line railroads. Importantly, the success of their business is not dependent on any single carrier or corridor; rather, it requires a comprehensive understanding of rail operations and the ability to operate effectively on a national level. This broad exposure provides Elliot with valuable insight into the challenges and opportunities faced by small shippers across the rail network.

I strongly believe Elliot Pomeranz would be a knowledgeable, balanced, and constructive voice on the Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council, and I recommend him without reservation.

Sincerely,

Tony Petzitto

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