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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to nominate myself to be appointed to one of the vacant positions on the Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council.

I am Justin Middleton, Transportation Procurement Manager of Ainsworth Pet Nutrition. Previously worked collaboratively with all railroads for Kraft Heinz as a logistics footprint manager. During my positions I have contracted and managed relations with many different railroad providers domestically and internationally. Managing upwards of \$200MM in railroad spend as well as over 100 private rail cars, the railroad network has always been a key to optimizing a successful logistics foundation.

I represent that I am willing to serve as a RSTAC member effective immediately upon appointment, and I would appreciate your consideration of this nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Justin Middleton".

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