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Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
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**Re: STB Docket No. FD 36472, CSX Corporation and CSX Transportation, Inc., et al.—
Control and Merger—Pan Am Systems, Inc., Pan Am Railways, Inc., Boston and
Maine Corporation, Maine Central Railroad Company, Northern Railroad, Pan Am
Southern LLC, Portland Terminal Company, Springfield Terminal Railway
Company, Stony Brook Railroad Company, and Vermont & Massachusetts
Railroad Company**

Dear Ms. Brown:

Enclosed please find a letter in support of the Application filed in the above-referenced matter from Sean Garballey, Massachusetts State Representative.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Anthony J. LaRocca

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Enclosures

cc: Louis E. Gitomer; All parties of record



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Dear Ms. Brown,

I write in support of CSX Transportation Inc.'s application to the Surface Transportation Board to acquire Pan Am Systems Inc., and its subsidiaries. As a State Representative, I appreciate greatly the importance of investment in both our passenger and freight rail systems. The application pending before you is an important opportunity to bring reliability and investment into our freight rail system. The public and private sectors will benefit from this merger facilitating a more efficient, competitive freight rail system that will also improve passenger rail service across the region.

The CSX plan is to heavily invest private capital to upgrade Pan Am's network in ways that have not, and otherwise will not, happen. As a result, not only will our rail infrastructure in New England be up to par with national quality and safety standards, but it will also be more resilient and capable of responding to the future challenges in the transit space that the modern economy and climate change require.

I am particularly supportive of CSX's investment plan that will allow main line track speeds to be upgraded from the current 10mph speed limits to 25mph. These enhancements will increase efficiency and productivity for both freight and passenger rail services, without jeopardizing safety.

The merger will include significant environmental and sustainability efforts. CSX is the most fuel-efficient freight rail carrier in the United States, moving on average one ton of freight for 533 miles on a single gallon of fuel. This is three to four times more efficient than shipping

via interstate and local highways. I am also encouraged by CSX's forward-looking investment in more sustainable technology to continue reducing the company's carbon footprint.

I strongly urge you to approve the proposed merger and hope you will not hesitate to contact me on any questions you might have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sean Garballey", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Sean Garballey
State Representative
23rd Middlesex District

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have caused this Letter in Docket No. FD-36472, *CSX Corporation and CSX Transportation, Inc.—Control and Merger—Pan Am Systems, Inc., Pan Am Railways, Inc., Boston and Maine Corporation, Maine Central Railroad Company, Northern Railroad, Pan Am Southern LLC, Portland Terminal Company, Springfield Terminal Railway Company, Stony Brook Railroad Company, and Vermont & Massachusetts Railroad Company*, to be served electronically or by first class mail, postage pre-paid, on all parties of record in this proceeding.

/s/ Sally Mordi

Sally Mordi
*Attorney for CSX Corporation and
CSX Transportation, Inc.*

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