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The Honorable Martin J. Oberman
Chairman
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

RE: Docket No. EP 526 (Sub-No. 14)
Notice of Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council Vacancies

Dear Chairman Oberman:

As Chairman of Carload Express, Inc. ("CEI"), and its four Class III freight railroads, I am writing to submit the nomination of **Mr. Mark Rosner** to serve on the Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Counsel (RSTAC) as a small railroad representative.

Mark currently serves as President and CEO of CEI and all of its subsidiary Class III railroads. CEI's subsidiary railroads currently operate over 340 route miles of track in five states and serve a large and diverse group of commodities and customers including the agricultural, construction, chemical, energy, manufacturing, and steel sectors. As President and CEO of CEI, Mark is ultimately responsible for all aspects of the business including operations, maintenance, finance, administration, marketing, capital investment and commercial development. He is intimately familiar with every aspect of operating a small railroad including the symbiotic relationship between railroad and shipper as well as the issues that face small railroads and customers today.

Mark joined CEI as President in January 2018. Prior to joining CEI, Mark spent nine years as an independent consultant working with railroads, transportation companies and infrastructure investors. Prior to this, other than a short period as a railway subject matter expert for an international investment bank, the majority of Marks career has been spent working for short line, regional and Class I railroads in North America as well as with railways in Europe and Australia. Mark is a citizen of the United States and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Alfred University and a Masters in Business Administration degree from the Fuqua School of Business at Duke University.

Mark's strong background with Class I, Class II and Class III railroads and with railways internationally will provide excellent experience and a great source of reference to the Council. Carload Express is willing to make Mark available and he is willing to serve immediately upon appointment. Mark is based near Pittsburgh Pennsylvania but is regularly in the Washington DC area travelling to or from our Delmarva Central Railroad subsidiary so it will be extremely convenient for him to attend meetings in Washington, DC.

I believe that Mark will be a valuable asset to the RTSAC and will be able to provide valuable input on rail transportation issues from a small railroad perspective. I greatly appreciate your consideration of this nomination.

Sincerely,

Russell Peterson