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The Honorable Ann D. Begeman, Chairman
The Honorable Patrick J. Fuchs, Vice-Chairman
The Honorable Martin J. Oberman, Member
Surface Transportation Board 395 E. Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

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Dear Board Members:

I am writing today to express my interest in joining R-STAC as a representative for Large Shippers (Docket EP 526, Sub No 13). I am Vice President of Transportation for Packaging Corporation of America (PCA), the 3rd largest producer of both Containerboard and White Paper in the U.S. with 8 paper mills and 95 converting facilities.

In this role, I have responsibility for PCA's transportation operations which include a short-line railroad, the Minnesota, Dakota and Western Railway, and a trucking subsidiary, BCT, Inc. In addition, I have responsibility for PCA transportation services overseeing procurement, relationship and performance management of all modes with roughly \$450 million in spend.

I currently serve as Rail Chair and Board Director of the National Industrial Transportation League and Board Director of the National Freight Transportation Association. I have presented at many transportation and supply chain conferences including CSCMP and regional Rail Shippers Association Meetings and have presented at the Spisak Lecture Series in Logistics and Transportation at Penn State University.

I hold a BS-Marketing from the University of Nevada, Reno and an MBA from Boise State University and have completed executive education in global supply chain management at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. I am considered in the industry as a thoughtful, pragmatic and reasonable voice. I much prefer negotiated arrangements verses regulated, understanding that both are viable options. I would very much appreciate you consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R Corthell", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Ross Corthell
Vice President-Transportation