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Re: Docket No. FD 36633 – Project Update

Dear Ms. Gosselin and Mr. Assenza:

Thank you for your patience during the suspension of the environmental review process in this matter. As I mentioned on the phone, the Louisiana Gateway Rail Mainline Extension project is now ready to move forward with the Plaquemines Port Harbor & Terminal District (PPHTD) as the applicant.

PPHTD asks that Freese and Nichols, Inc. remain the project's third-party consultant. PPHTD is familiar with Freese and Nichols's work on the project and is prepared to execute the agreements that would allow them to restart that work.

I look forward to the opportunity to talk with you more about this project in the near future. In the meantime, please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jay C. Johnson", written over a light blue circular stamp.

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cc: Nina Reins, Freese and Nichols

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Danielle and Adam,

Please see the attached correspondence.

Best regards,

Jay

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