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395 E Street, S.W., Suite 1149
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Re: Ex Parte No. 673, *BNSF Railway Co., et al. -- Petition to Institute a Rulemaking*

Dear Mr. Williams:

This is to advise the Board that Chicago Port Railroad Company, a Class III rail carrier, intends to participate actively in the above proceeding. Chicago Port Railroad Company will be represented by:

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