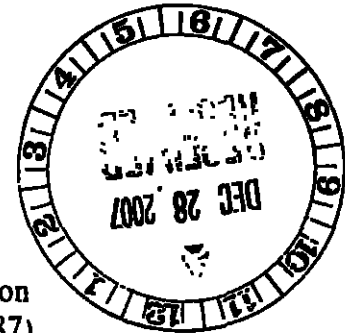


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**VERIFIED STATEMENT
OF
Kevin Brinegar
On behalf of
Indiana Chamber of Commerce**

My name is Kevin Brinegar and I am president of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, which is the state's largest business association. I have been in my current position since 2002. Prior to joining this organization in 1992, I was a senior staff member and fiscal analyst for the Indiana State Senate and Legislative Services Agency of the Indiana General Assembly, the legislative branch of government in our state.

Statewide, the Indiana Chamber represents more than 4,500 member companies of all types and sizes. We work to provide a world-competitive business climate throughout the state in order to maximize opportunity for meaningful employment of all Indiana citizens. The Chamber does this by advancing thoughtful legislation and public policy, and serving as the convenient source of reliable business information for our members and constituents.

Our members understand that their success depends upon good transportation infrastructure and a reliable and efficient supply chain. That is why the Chamber has a very aggressive transportation policy that encourages private investment in vital transportation infrastructure. This allows our citizens and goods to move with less reliance on the taxpayers. CN's acquisition of the EJ&E creates that kind of benefit for Indiana.

As you know, train traffic congestion in Chicago, whose harmful effects are felt throughout Indiana, has become the focus of a public/private partnership project called "CREATE." The goals of CREATE are commendable and we are hopeful that this project continues forward. However, we view the acquisition and integration of the EJ&E into CN's system and improving the flow of trains through Chicago as advancing a

number of CREATE's objectives more quickly We are especially impressed that Indiana businesses and communities can achieve these benefits without any negative competitive impacts and at no cost to Indiana taxpayers

For these reasons, the Indiana Chamber strongly supports the transaction Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,


Kevin Brinegar, President
Indiana Chamber of Commerce

VERIFICATION

STATE OF INDIANA)
COUNTY OF MARION)

Kevin Brinegar being first duly sworn, deposes and says that (he/she) has read the foregoing document, knows the facts asserted therein, and that the same are true as stated.


Elizabeth Hodge

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of December, 2007


Notary Public

My Commission Expires

March 26, 2015

My County of Residence.

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