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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

RE: Application by Soo Line Corporation for STB approval to acquire the
Central Maine & Quebec Railway - ***Docket No. FD 36368***

Dear Board Members:

Irving Consumer Products Limited submits this letter in strong support of the application filed by Soo Line Corporation ("Soo") to acquire the Central Maine & Quebec Railway (CMQR).

Irving Consumer Products Limited is a shipper that depends on reliable and sustainable rail service over the CMQR. We use the service to transport our products and raw materials to our customers and our manufacturing facilities.

Irving Consumer Products Limited supports the proposed acquisition because it:

- Preserves and enhances overall competition in the Northeast surface transportation market;
- Will result in more efficient, seamless rail service;
- Provides customers with enhanced access to markets including to export markets by connecting CP's network to Atlantic ports;
- Produces no competitive harms, as it is an end-to-end transaction; and
- Ensures continued viability of CMQR.

For the above reasons, Irving Consumer Products Limited strongly supports the application of Soo before the STB to acquire CMQR. We respectfully request your expedited review and approval of this minor transaction.

Sincerely,

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

Tim Baade
General Manager

Please note that all the Parties of Record for docket FD 36368 have received a copy of the document (letter of support for Soo Acquisition of CMQR). The Parties of Record include:

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