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Dear Sir/Madam:

It has come to the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District's attention that Canadian Pacific is trying to merge with or acquire Norfolk Southern. The St. Bernard Port has a long-standing relationship with Norfolk Southern as they have provided rail service for our deep-water port since its purchase in January, 1993. We rely on Norfolk Southern's commitment to service and safety every day as over 100 railcars move through the Port monthly.

This is not a generic support letter, but a request for the Surface Transportation Board to take under consideration the opinions of long-standing, satisfied clients of Norfolk Southern. We wish to continue to receive the service we get from Norfolk Southern and do not think a company, Canadian Pacific, that is only interested in cutting cost can provide the dependable, safe service we are use to receiving from Norfolk Southern.

If you have any questions or additional information is needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Scafidel, Ed.D.
Executive Director

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