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Office of Environmental Analysis

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Tracy Smith
County Clerk, Hopkins County
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Sulphur Springs, TX 75482

By email, if available, at cclerk@hopkinscountytexas.org

Re: Docket No. FD 36500, Canadian Pacific Railway Limited, et al.—Control of—
Kansas City Southern, et al.; **Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental
Impact Statement**

Dear Tracy Smith:

On October 29, 2021, Canadian Pacific Railway Limited, et al. (CP) and Kansas City Southern et al. (KCS) (collectively, Applicants) filed an application with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) seeking authorization for CP to acquire KCS.

Because the proposed acquisition has the potential to result in significant environmental impacts, the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) has determined that the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is appropriate. This letter is to formally announce that the Board has issued a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS for this proceeding (<https://cp-kcsmergereis.com/docs/cp-kcs-noi.pdf>). In addition to announcing that the Board will prepare an EIS for this proceeding, the NOI also requests comments on the scope of the EIS and presents a schedule for public scoping meetings; interested parties are encouraged to participate.

Scoping is the first step of the EIS process. Scoping is an open process to determine the range of issues that should be examined and assessed in an EIS. Comments submitted during scoping will assist OEA in defining the range of alternatives and potential impacts to be considered in the EIS.

OEA will hold six online public scoping meetings at the dates and times listed below (all times are listed in Central Standard Time). There is no need to attend more than one meeting,

but all are welcome to attend as many meetings as desired. Interested parties can access the online meetings in one of two ways:

- Join online: <https://bit.ly/cp-kcs> .
 - Project information will be available for review at this link prior to the public meeting dates.
- Join by phone by calling (888) 788-0099 and using the call-in information below:

Public Scoping Meeting Dates and Times

Date	Time	Meeting ID	Passcode
Tuesday, November 30, 2021	6-8 PM	899 9411 9431	336859
Wednesday, December 1, 2021	2-4 PM	834 1445 3134	140066
Thursday, December 2, 2021	6-8 PM	860 6003 9544	510488
Tuesday, December 7, 2021	6-8 PM	891 6903 1796	598592
Wednesday, December 8, 2021	2-4 PM	884 5338 0280	470936
Thursday, December 9, 2021	6-8 PM	899 8627 2409	227867

These meetings will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Persons who need additional special accommodations should call the project information line: 1-888-319-2337. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339. For further information about the Board’s EIS process, visit the Board-sponsored project website at www.CP-KCSMergerEIS.com.

Interested parties are encouraged to file their comments on the scope of the EIS electronically through the Board-sponsored project website. Comments can also be submitted electronically on the Board’s website, www.stb.gov, by clicking on the “E_FILING” link and then on “Environmental Comments.” Alternatively, written comments may be sent by mail to:

Joshua Wayland, Surface Transportation Board, c/o VHB
Attention: Environmental Filing, Docket No. FD 36500
940 Main Campus Dr., Suite 500
Raleigh, NC 27606

Please refer to Docket No. FD 36500 in all correspondence, including E-filings, addressed to the Board. **All scoping comments are due no later than December 17, 2021.**

For further information or questions pertaining to the scoping process, please contact Joshua Wayland at the address provided above, or call the project line at 1-888-319-2337. For further information about the Board's environmental review process and the EIS, you may also visit the Board-sponsored project website at www.CP-KCSMergerEIS.com. We look forward to receiving your comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Danielle Gosselin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Danielle Gosselin
Acting Director
Office of Environmental Analysis