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SUBJECT: Essential Critical Infrastructure Suppliers

Canada and the U.S recognize that the freight railways and all activities/services carried on by, on behalf or in support of the freight railways (hereafter referred to as a “Essential Critical Infrastructure Business”), including activities and services:

- (i) that are essential to maintain safe and efficient train operations (including, without limitation, the inspection and maintenance of the rail assets and infrastructure);
- (ii) that further community relief, interstate/interprovincial commerce, commerce between Canada and the United States and sustained supply chains; and
- (iii) that are essential to the health, safety, and security of Canada and/or the United States (including, without limitation, the delivery of goods, food, fuel, medicine, and other vital supplies) are critical to both nations’ ability to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) developed an initial list of “Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers” to help State and local officials as they work to protect their communities, while ensuring continuity of functions critical to public health and safety, as well as economic and national security. That lists includes workers in the Transportation and Logistics Industry, which includes freight railways.

Canada and the U.S further recognize that businesses (hereafter the “Essential Critical Infrastructure Suppliers”) that sell, manufacture or supply these Essential Critical Infrastructure Businesses with the support or material necessary to operate their businesses are equally essential and, as such, shall be authorized to continue to operate their businesses to the extent required to support the continuing operation of these Essential Critical Infrastructure Businesses. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, this authority shall include the authority for employees, agents and contractors of these Essential Critical Infrastructure Suppliers to leave their residences, despite any order to the contrary, to provide any services or perform any work necessary to support these Essential Critical Infrastructure Businesses.



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The bearer of this letter is an Essential Critical Infrastructure Supplier or, as the case may be, an employee, agent or contractor of said Essential Critical Infrastructure Supplier and, as such, shall be allowed to perform all activities required to support the continuing operation of these Essential Critical Infrastructure Businesses. To the extent the bearer of this letter is an employee, agent or contractor of an Essential Critical Infrastructure Supplier, this authority shall include the authority to leave their residences, despite any order to the contrary, to provide any services or perform any work necessary to support these Essential Critical Infrastructure Businesses.

In connection with the performance of these activities in support of Essential Critical Infrastructure Business, employees, agents and contractors granted authority hereunder may need to bring equipment into, or use trains, trucks, automobiles, and other vehicles in the affected area.

Without limitation, CN employees and contractors are exempt from any local, state, provincial and/or federal restrictions on travel or work outside the home imposed in connection with COVID-19 control measures.

Canadian National Railway Company and its operating subsidiaries (CN) constitute (i) an interstate freight railroad in the United States; and (ii) a federal undertaking in Canada; that is required to provide freight transportation for shippers under and subject to the Interstate Commerce Act or the Canada Transportation Act, as the case may be, and is part of each nation's critical infrastructure.

Accordingly, as a matter of law, you may not prevent, delay, or otherwise interfere with the performance of the bearer of this letter's duties for CN. If you have questions regarding this person's exemption, please contact the CN Police Communications Center at 800-465-9239, or CN Police's Special Agent David Smith at 601-592-1950 or david.smith2@cn.ca.

This letter is issued under my authority as CN's chief of police.

Sincerely,

Stephen Covey
Chief of Police and Chief Security Officer

cc: Rob Reilly, Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer
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Sean Finn, Executive Vice-President, Corporate Services
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