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Roy Morrison, Director of Safety
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Via email: Rmorrison@bmwe.org

Jonathan Long, General Chairperson
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Via email: jlongbmwe@gmail.com

Re: East Palestine derailment site

Messrs: Morrison and Long:

Thank you for your letter of February 6. We share your concern for the health and well-being of our employees and appreciate your inquiry. As you know, safety is of utmost importance and emergency response situations such as the one relating to derailment in the East Palestine, OH are no exception.

We have been working with multiple federal and state agencies in all aspects of the emergency response for this incident. Hazardous material contractors and other environmental experts on site, including US EPA, have been and will continue monitoring the site on an ongoing basis to detect any worker or community concerns. This monitoring includes air monitoring for worker protection. Our air monitoring contractor, CTEH, participated in the job safety briefing for engineering personnel several days ago when workers were on site so that our people could understand the situation directly from the experts and ask any questions they may have had at the time. Since the work on Monday where all workers were required to leave the work zone, we have continued the air monitoring and we were only allowed re-entry into the work zone after the involved environmental agencies and the incident commander (the local fire chief) deemed it safe to do so based on sampling and testing from the experts. That monitoring will continue throughout the work necessary to recover operations.

Your members are a critical part of our team and we value the work they do here and every day. If any of your members has any questions or concerns on site, we urge you to encourage them to speak up to their supervisor or to one of our environmental representatives on site.

We trust that this will resolve your concerns. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "E. F. Boyle, Jr." The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.