



Norfolk Southern Corporation
Safety & Environmental Department
650 West Peachtree Street NW, Box 13
Atlanta, GA 30308

March 2, 2023

Jonathan Long, General Chairperson
American Rail System Federation
Via email: jlongbmwe@gmail.com

Re: East Palestine derailment site

Dear Mr. Long:

We are in receipt of your letter of February 24 regarding the East Palestine, OH derailment site. As stated in our February 7 and February 16 responses to your prior similar letters, as well as during discussions at an in-person meeting on February 28, we share your concern for the health and well-being of our employees and Norfolk Southern continues to provide a safe workplace for its employees at the derailment site.

As we advised in our February 16 response letter, significant information regarding the derailment is posted on federal and state agency websites. Information about and results of the agencies' testing, as well as commodities involved in the derailment and other information responsive to the appendix in your February 24 letter, are publicly available on [US EPA's](#) and [Ohio EPA's](#) websites. In addition, we have posted pertinent information on a [public website](#) dedicated to the derailment cleanup.

We continue working with the involved health and environmental agencies, as well as with multiple environmental experts, in all aspects of the response and cleanup after this incident. NS and the involved agencies have been collaborative and transparent with the chemicals involved, safety protections, and other aspects of the cleanup activities. We have implemented a comprehensive testing program to ensure the safety of the community's air, and daily testing continues to show that the air quality remains safe and normal.

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

If you have further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Mark M. Dudle, CIH

Mark M. Dudle, CIH
Occupational Safety Director
NS Safety & Environmental Department