# FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDINGS REGARDING THE CREATE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2003, the (i) Association of American Railroads ("AAR"), acting for and on behalf of The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, Canadian National Railway Company, Canadian Pacific Railway Company, CSX Transportation Inc., Norfolk Southern Railway Company, Union Pacific Railroad Company, and Commuter Rail Division of the Regional Transportation Authority; (ii) the Illinois Department of Transportation ("IDOT"), and (iii) the City of Chicago, acting by and through its Department of Transportation ("City" or "CDOT") ("Original Stakeholders"), entered into a Joint Statement of Understandings Regarding the Proposed CREATE Program ("JSOU") to progress a joint effort to restructure, modernize and expand the freight and passenger rail facilities and highway grade separations in the Chicago metropolitan area while reducing the environmental and social impacts of rail operations on the general public;

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2003, the Original Stakeholders also entered into a "Joint Statement Regarding CREATE Governance Structure", which provided that it "should be read and construed as a single integrated document with the JSOU" (hereinafter "Governance Structure");

WHEREAS the JSOU subsequently has been amended three times, most recently effective February 9, 2009, and among other amendments, the National Passenger Rail Corporation (Amtrak) was added as an additional Stakeholder (together with the Original Stakeholders, the "Current Stakeholders");

WHEREAS the governance structure for the Program has evolved since the execution

of the Governance Structure;

WHEREAS the Current Stakeholders and Cook County, Illinois (acting through the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways) ("DoTH") have agreed that in exchange for certain consideration as set forth below, DoTH should be added as an additional CREATE Stakeholder and should be given roles in the current CREATE Program governance structure consistent with that status;

NOW THEREFORE, the Current Stakeholders and DoTH hereby agree to amend the JSOU (including the integrated Governance Structure) as follows:

- 1. DoTH has committed to provide \$78 million in funding to the CREATE Program.
  The Stakeholders expect to use these funds for the group of Projects referred to as the "75<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor Improvement Project" or "75<sup>th</sup> St. CIP", comprising the EW2, GS19, P2 and P3 Projects.
- **2.** The first paragraph of the PREAMBLE to the JSOU is hereby revised to read as follows:

The Chicago Regional Environmental and Transportation Efficiency Program (CREATE) (the Program) is a joint effort of (i) the Association of American Railroads (AAR), acting for and on behalf of The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF), Canadian National Railway Company (CN), Canadian Pacific Railway Company (CP), CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSX), National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak), Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NS), Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP), and Commuter Rail Division of the Regional Transportation Authority (Metra), (ii) Cook County, Illinois, acting through the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (DoTH); (iii) the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), and (iv) the City of Chicago, acting by and through its Department of Transportation (City) (AAR, IDOT, City, and DoTH are referred to collectively as the "Stakeholders"), to restructure, modernize and

expand the freight and passenger rail facilities and highway grade separations in the Chicago metropolitan area (the "Region") while reducing the environmental and social impacts of rail operations on the general public.

- 3. Paragraph 2 of Section II (Terms and Conditions) of the JSOU is amended to add the following new sentence at the end: "Cook County, Illinois will participate through the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (DoTH)."
- **4**. Provisions in the JSOU in which ongoing rights and obligations of IDOT and City are specifically referenced are hereby amended to add a reference to "DoTH," so that "IDOT and City" will now read "IDOT, City, and DoTH." Those provisions are:

In Section II (Terms and Conditions):

Paragraph 5, line 10

Paragraph 8, last line

Paragraph 9, second and third line

Paragraph 10, first line

Paragraph 11, 4<sup>th</sup> line

Paragraph 12

Paragraph 13, first line

In Section III (Scope of Work):
First line

5. The Governance Structure is hereby updated to reflect the current CREATE

Program committee structure shown on the attached. As reflected on the attached, each of
the following Program committees is hereby expanded by adding one new member, to be
filled by a representative appointed by DoTH: the Stakeholder Committee, the Management
Committee, the Management Working Group, the Implementation Committee, the
Advocacy Committee, and the Finance and Budget Committee. A DoTH representative will
co-chair the Advocacy Committee, along with three other co-chairs representing (1) the

railroads, (2) IDOT; and (3) City.

6. This Fourth Amendment to the JSOU may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall be

considered one and the same amendment.

7. This Fourth Amendment to the JSOU shall be effective on the date of the final

signature made below, each signer representing by his or her signature that he or she is

authorized to execute this document on behalf of the indicated Stakeholder.

Cook County Department of Transportation (DoTH), by John Yonan

Title: Superintendent
Signed: /s/ John Yonan

Date: 10/12/2018

Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), by Randall S Blankenhorn

Title: Secretary

Signed: /s/ Randall S. Blaneknhorn

Date: 10/10/2018

City of Chicago, acting through its Department of Transportation (City), by Rebekah Scheinfeld

Title: Commissioner

Signed: /s/ Rebekah Scheinfeld

Date: 10/11/2018

Association of American Railroads (AAR), by Edward R. Hamberger

Title: President and CEO

Signed: /s/ Edward R. Hamberger

Date: 10/16/2018

Attachment: CREATE Program Committee Structure chart

# **CREATE Organization**

CTCO (not a CREATE committee)

#### Management Working Group

One representative from the Participating RRs, IDOT, CDOT, FHWA and DoTH

# **AAR Program Management Office**

- Run by the CREATE Program Manager
- Staffed and administered by AAR

## **Project Managers**

A representative designated for each Project by that Project's Responsible Entity

### **Stakeholder Committee**

Representative Appointed by the Participating RRs
Commissioner of CDOT
Secretary of IDOT
Superintendent of DoTH

# **Management Committee**

- One representative from each Participating RR, CTCO, CDOT, IDOT, and DoTH
- The BRC, IHB, and FHWA each have non-voting seats on this Committee
- Two co-chairs selected by the Participating RRs and the CREATE Stakeholders, respectively

#### **Implementation Committee**

- One representative from each Participating RR, AAR Program Manager, BRC, IHB, CTCO, FHWA, CDOT, IDOT, and DoTH
- Illinois Commerce Commission and FRA's Office of Project Delivery may participate as non-voting members
- Co-chaired by one RR rep and one public agency rep

#### **Finance & Budget Committee**

- One representative from each Participating RR, and one representative each from CTCO, AAR, CDOT, IDOT, and DoTH
- Chair appointed by Management Committee

#### **Advocacy Committee**

- One representative from each Participating RR, AAR, CTCO, CDOT, IDOT, FHWA, and DoTH
- Co-chaired by one RR rep, and one rep each from CDOT, IDOT, and DoTH

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