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*****MEDIA ADVISORY*****

Amtrak Service Workers Council to Hold Rally Protesting Amtrak Outsourcing

Elected officials scheduled to appear include U.S. Reps. Dan Lipinski, Chuy Garcia and Jan Schakowsky

WHO:

Donald Boyd, Secretary-Treasurer / Vice President, Unite HERE Local 43
Jack Dinsdale, National Vice President, Transportation Communications Union
John Feltz, Vice President-Director Railroad Division, Transport Workers Union

Congressman Dan Lipinski, Chairman, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials
Congressman Chuy Garcia, Member, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky

Members of Unite Here, TCU, TWU and other railroad unions

WHERE:

Chicago Union Station
Corner of Clinton and Jackson
Chicago, IL 60606

WHEN:

Wednesday, April 24, 10 a.m.

WHAT:

The three unions participating in Wednesday's rally aim to educate the public and Members of Congress about Amtrak's actions to cut and outsource its workforce. Under the leadership of President and CEO Richard Anderson, Amtrak's labor relations have taken a hostile turn, and proposed service route changes threaten transportation access for millions. This change is detrimental not only to the employees, but to Amtrak's service to the traveling public.

The Transportation Communications Union (TCU/IAM), the Transport Workers Union (TWU), and Unite-HERE -- representing service, clerical, and maintenance craft employees at Amtrak -- have been under attack recently. Amtrak's new leadership is seeking any-and-all ways to outsource work away from its own skilled, unionized workforce.