

**BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Docket No. EP 711 (Sub-No.1)

RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS BY STB DURING INDORAMA VENTURES TESTIMONY
ON RECIPROCAL SWITCHING

This is in response to questions asked of Indorama by Surface Transportation Board Chairman Marty Oberman during March 16th 2022 Reciprocal Switching Hearing testimony of Indorama Ventures (“Indorama”).

The first question asked was what the cost for our production loss was due to insufficient service by the railroads. As stated in our testimony, production loss totaled over 170 million pounds of product which cost Indorama approximately \$105 million.

The second question asked was which locations in the Indorama network do the railroads already have reciprocal switches in place. As the Board pointed out, there is a reciprocal switch already present in Decatur AL, where 2 of our plants (AlphaPet and Indorama Ventures Xylenes and PTA) are located. This is between the NS and CSX; however, it does not promote competition as the reciprocal switch only applies when the CSX is the delivering carrier or connects with a short line that the NS cannot reach.

For our other locations, there is reciprocal switching with NS and CSX in Winston-Salem which could be used for our Asheboro, NC facility.

For our Spartanburg (Forster), SC plant, there is reciprocal switching already in Spartanburg with NS and CSX.

For our Bayport, TX facility, there is reciprocal switching in place in Houston, TX.

For our Port Neches, LA facility, there is reciprocal switching in Beaumont, TX.

We thank the Board again for your time and attention. Please let us know if there is anything further you require. We would be happy to set a time for a call to discuss further if you prefer.

Respectfully submitted,

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