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**RE: Docket No. NOR 42178, Navajo Transitional Energy Company, LLC – Ex Parte Petition for
Emergency Service Order**

Dear Ms. Brown,

BNSF respectfully submits the attached data for the week ending August 2, 2023 in accordance with the Board's June 23, 2023 decision in the above-referenced proceeding.

BNSF provides the following information to the Board related to BNSF's service.

Reporting Period

As indicated in previous reports, BNSF defines a week as running from each Thursday to Wednesday of the following week. For this report, the backward-looking data includes traffic moving between Thursday, July 27, 2023, and Wednesday, August 2, 2023 and the forward-looking data includes traffic expected to move between Thursday, August 3, 2023, and Wednesday, August 9, 2023.

Factors Impacting Capacity and Cycle Times

As reported last week, Montana Rail Link ("MRL") has completed construction of a new bridge to replace the bridge that collapsed on June 24, 2023. Both loaded and empty trains in export coal service have now returned to routing via MRL. Cycle times have improved, and we expect to see additional improvement in the coming weeks.

BNSF has previously reported that Westshore had reduced the slot capacity available to BNSF over the past few weeks due to issues arising from strikes at other Canadian ports. The strike-related impacts on available slot capacity appear to have resolved. BNSF continues to monitor the progress of the new labor deal being negotiated by the ports and union, along with the potential for further strikes. BNSF will alert the Board and NTEC if the situation changes.

BNSF's last two reports mentioned a fire at Spring Creek Mine that damaged the main conveyor belt that is used to load coal into BNSF trains and that prevented BNSF from loading both domestic and

export coal trains from July 16, 2023 to July 22, 2023. BNSF diverted resources initially planned for other export shippers to Spring Creek Mine once loading operations resumed on July 22, 2023 in order to load twenty-three (23) export coal trains at Spring Creek Mine in July, as planned.

Last week BNSF projected 12 NTEC export coal trains leaving Spring Creek Mine between July 27, 2023 and August 2, 2023; BNSF's actual traffic level for this period was 8 NTEC export coal trains.

Sincerely,



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Attachments

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

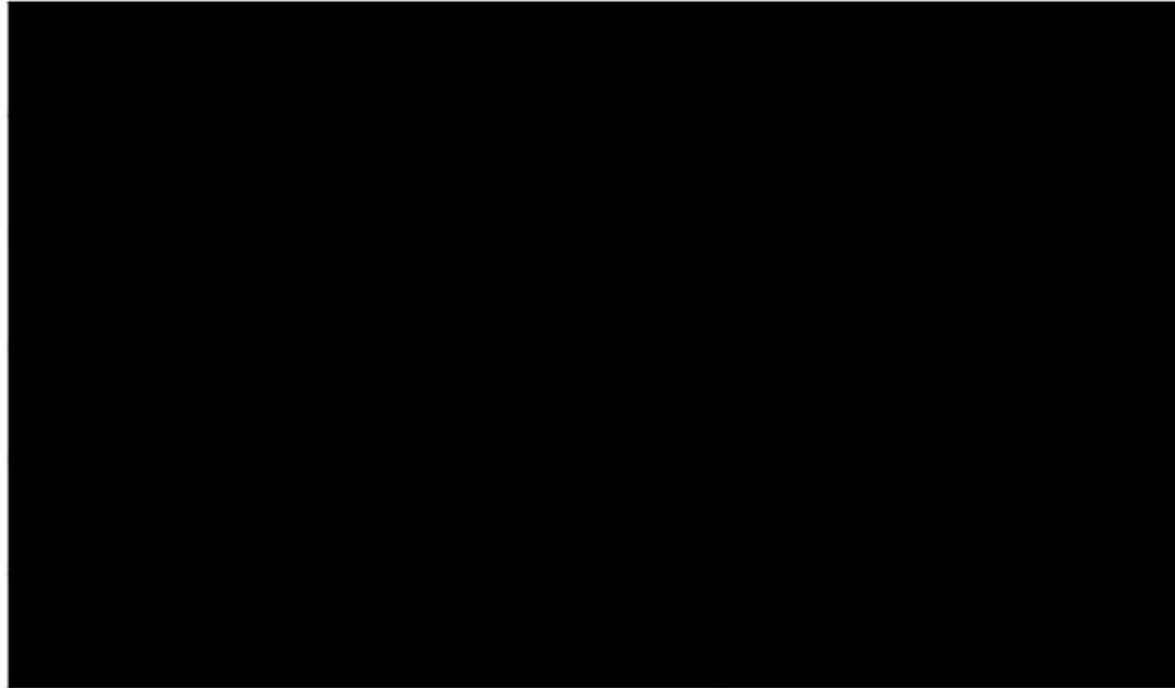
I certify that on August 4, 2023, I served copies of this document upon all parties of record in this proceeding.



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NTEC *Ex Parte* Pet. For Emergency Svc. Order (NOR 42178)

Reporting Period: 7/27/2023 through 8/2/2023



NTEC Trains from Spring Creek Mine to Westshore Terminals July 26, 2023 through August 2, 2023						
STCC_NUMBER	ORIGIN	DESTINATION	SHPR_633	WB_DT	TRAIN_ID	TONS

Other NTEC Traffic Originating at Spring Creek Mine July 27, 2023 through August 2, 2023						
STCC_NUMBER	ORIGIN	DESTINATION	SHPR_633	WB_DT	TRAIN_ID	TONS

Non-NTEC Export Coal Traffic Moving to Westshore July 27, 2023 through August 2, 2023

STCC_NUMBER	ORIGIN	DESTINATION	SHPR_633*	WB_DT	TRAIN_ID	TONS
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Daily Trainsets Deployed from Spring Creek Mine July 27, 2023 through August 2, 2023			
Date	# of Trainsets Deployed		