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The Honorable Debra Miller, Acting Chairman
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The Honorable Ann D. Begeman, Vice Chairman
United States Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
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Re: *STB Docket No. EP 724-3 - United States Rail Service Issues- Data Collection*

Dear Chairman Miller, and Vice Chairman Begeman:

I am writing to provide comment on the service data that we are filing contemporaneous herewith in response to the Board's data collection order of October 8, 2014.

Our US network is in good operating condition. Train speed and terminal dwell continue to improve, and grain loadings remain steady.

With respect to the Rapid City, Pierre & Eastern Railroad (RCP&E), locomotives are in overall balance this reporting week, understanding that the number varies from day to day. Fulfillment of RCP&E grain car requests continues to improve, this week reaching 294 of 300 requests.

We remain committed to working with shippers, facilities and other railroads to meet our customers' needs.

Sincerely,

Robert Johnson
Senior Vice President Operations

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Railroad:	Year: 2015	Reporting Week: 1	Date Week Began:	12/28/2014
			Date Week Ended:	1/3/2015

1. System-Average Train Speed by Train Type for the Reporting Week (MPH)

Intermodal	26.2
Grain unit	20.6
Coal unit	21.6
Automotive unit	27.1
Crude oil unit	22.6
Ethanol unit	20.1
Manifest	19.4
All Other	21.6

2. Weekly Average Terminal Dwell Time Measured in Hours Excluding Cars on Run Through Trains

System Average	19.7
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2. Weekly Average Terminal Dwell Time Measured in Hours for 10 Largest Terminals In Terms Of Railcar Capacity

ALBANY	5.6
BENSENVILLE	20.8
BINGHAMTON	26.5
GLENWOOD	22.3
HARVEY	8.4
LA CROSSE	24.4
MASON CITY	13.9
MILWAUKEE	27.5
NAHANT	42.7
ST PAUL	19.0

3. Total Cars On Line by Car Type for the Reporting Week

Box	1,483
Covered hopper	14,652
Gondola	2,731
Intermodal	745
Multilevel (automotive)	809
Open hopper	839
Tank	8,971
Other	1,205
Total	31,435

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4. Weekly Average Dwell Time at Origin for Unit Train Shipments Measured in Hours	
Grain	27.2
Coal	-
Automotive	-
Crude Oil	10.2
Ethanol	20.7
All Other Unit Trains	19.3

5. Weekly Total Number of Trains Held Short of Destination or Scheduled Interchange for Longer than 6 Hours by Train Type and Cause							
Train Type	Cause						Total
	Crew	Locomotive power	Track maintenance	Mechanical Issue	Other		
					Number	Briefly Explain Cause	
Intermodal	0	0	0	0	0		0
Grain unit	0	0	0	2	1	Ops	3
Coal unit	0	0	0	0	2	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	2
Automotive unit	0	0	0	0	0		0
Crude oil unit	0	0	0	1	8	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	9
Ethanol unit	0	0	0	0	3	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	3
Other unit	2	0	0	2	0		4
All other trains	2	4	1	2	31	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	40
Total	4	4	1	7	45		61

6. Weekly Total Number of Loaded and Empty Cars in Revenue Service That Have Not Moved In:				
	Greater Than 120 Hours		Greater Than 48 but Less than or Equal to 120 Hours	
	Loaded	Empty	Loaded	Empty
Intermodal	21	6	17	12
Grain	52	70	223	151
Coal	2	2	7	36
Crude Oil	7	13	8	49
Ethanol	-	3	86	11
Automotive	16	-	28	-
All Other	236	475	541	581

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7. Weekly total grain cars loaded and billed, reported by State, aggregated for the following Standard Transportation Commodity Codes (STCCs): 01131 (barley), 01132 (corn), 01133 (oats), 01135 (rye), 01136 (sorghum grains), 01137 (wheat), 01139 (grain, not elsewhere classified), 01144 (soybeans), 01341 (beans, dry), 01342 (peas, dry), and 01343 (cowpeas, lentils, or lupines). "Total grain cars loaded and billed" includes cars in shuttle service; dedicated train service; reservation, lottery, open and other ordering systems; and, private cars. Additionally, please separately report the total cars loaded and billed in shuttle service (or dedicated train service) versus total cars loaded and billed in all other ordering systems, including private cars.

Instruction: Please enter "0" if no data is being reported for a field.

State	Total Grain Cars Loaded and Billed For All Ordering Systems	Total Grain Cars Loaded and Billed For Shuttle / Dedicated Train Service Ordering Systems	Total Grain Cars Loaded and Billed For Ordering Systems Other Than Shuttle / Dedicated Train Service
AL	0	0	0
AZ	0	0	0
AR	0	0	0
CA	0	0	0
CO	0	0	0
CT	0	0	0
DE	0	0	0
FL	0	0	0
GA	0	0	0
ID	2	0	2
IL	8	0	8
IN	0	0	0
IA	5	0	5
KS	0	0	0
KY	0	0	0
LA	0	0	0
ME	0	0	0
MD	0	0	0
MA	0	0	0
MI	0	0	0
MN	537	206	331
MS	0	0	0
MO	27	0	27
MT	0	0	0
NE	0	0	0
NV	0	0	0
NH	0	0	0
NJ	0	0	0
NM	0	0	0
NY	3	0	3
NC	0	0	0
ND	1,383	1,097	286
OH	0	0	0
OK	0	0	0
OR	0	0	0
PA	0	0	0

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RI	0	0	0
SC	0	0	0
SD	99	99	0
TN	0	0	0
TX	0	0	0
UT	0	0	0
VT	0	0	0
VA	0	0	0
WA	0	0	0
WV	0	0	0
WI	51	0	51
WY	0	0	0
Total	2,115	1,402	713

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8. For the aggregated STCCs in item 7, report by State the following: a. running total number of outstanding car orders (a car order equals one car); b. average number of days late for all outstanding car orders; c. total number of new car orders received during the past week; d. total number of car orders filled during the past week; and e. number of orders cancelled, respectively, by shipper and railroad during the past week.

State	a. Running Total Number of Outstanding Car Orders	b. Average Number of Days Late For All Outstanding Grain Car Orders	c. Number of New Car Orders	d. Number of Car Orders Filled	e.1. Number of Orders Canceled By Shipper	e.2. Number of Orders Canceled By Railroad
AL						
AZ						
AR						
CA						
CO						
CT						
DE						
FL						
GA						
ID						
IL						
IN						
IA	20	6.50 weeks		10		
KS						
KY						
LA						
ME						
MD						
MA						
MI						
MN	142	2.88 weeks	87	419	112	
MS						
MO	30	2.67 weeks	25	23		
MT						
NE						
NV						
NH						
NJ						
NM						
NY						
NC						
ND	1,155	4.49 weeks	525	1,414	5	
OH						
OK						
OR						
PA						
RI						
SC						
SD			300	294		
TN						
TX						
UT						
VT						
VA						

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WA						
WV						
WI						
WY						
TOTAL	1,347	4.31 weeks	937	2,160	117	0

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9. Plan vs. Performance For Grain Shuttle (Or Dedicated Grain Train) Round Trips, By Region, Updated To Reflect The Previous Four Weeks

Region (Please Specify Destination Region)	Trip Plan	Trip Performance
Pacific North West	2.2	2.0
Other	2.2	2.0

10. Average Daily Coal Unit Train Loadings vs. Plan for the Reporting Week By Coal Production Region

Region	Loadings Plan	Loadings Average
Powder River Basin		
Illinois Basin		
Uinta Basin		
Northern Appalachia		
Central Appalachia		
Southern Appalachia		

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Chicago Gateway

1. Average Daily Car Counts By Terminal Yard For The Reporting Week

Barr	-
Bensenville	1,457
Blue Island	-
Calumet	25
Cicero	-
Clearing	49
Corwith	-
Gibson	-
Kirk	-
Markham	-
Proviso	4
Other Yards	-
See EP 724 (Sub-No.3)	

2. Average Daily Number Of Trains Held For Delivery To Chicago Sorted by Receiving Carrier For The Reporting Week

BNSF	0.0
CN	0.0
CP	0.0
CSX	0.1
NS	0.1
UP	0.0

Status of the Chicago Terminal

As of this writing, the Chicago Terminal is at Alert Level 0. Our railroad is in normal operating condition at Chicago.

APPENDIX 1: RCP&E Reporting

Number of Grain Cars Requested by and Furnished to RCP&E from Dec 28, 2014 to Jan 3, 2015

	Number of New Car Orders	Number of Car Orders Filled
RCP&E	300	294

Number of Locomotives Moving to / from RCP&E

Date	LOCOMOTIVES DELIVERED BY CP TO RCPE			LOCOMOTIVES DELIVERED BY RCPE TO CP		
	CP UNITS	RCPE UNITS	TOTAL	CP UNITS	RCPE UNITS	TOTAL
Sun Dec 14		6	6	1	3	4
Mon Dec 15	9	5	14	1	3	4
Tue Dec 16	1	3	4	6	2	8
Wed Dec 17	3		3	3		3
Thu Dec 18	2		2	2	2	4
Fri Dec 19	4	6	10	5	3	8
Sat Dec 20		3	3		3	3
			42			34
Sun Dec 21	1	3	4	6		6
Mon Dec 22	6	3	9		2	2
Tue Dec 23	1	1	2		3	3
Wed Dec 24	2	5	7		4	4
Thu Dec 25	3		3	5		5
Fri Dec 26	1	1	2			
Sat Dec 27	2		2	3		3
			29			23
Sun Dec 28	8	3	11	3	5	8
Mon Dec 29	1	5	6	3	1	4
Tue Dec 30				5	4	9
Wed Dec 31		2	2			
Thu Jan 01	3	4	7	6	4	10
Fri Jan 02	1	2	3			
Sat Jan 03	6	4	10	4	3	7
			39			38
Sun Jan 04					4	4
Mon Jan 05	2	3	5	1	3	4



