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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

NOTICE

STB Ex Parte No. 347 (Sub-No. 2)

RATE GUIDELINES - NON-COAL PROCEEDINGS

Decided: May 23, 2000

The Surface Transportation Board established guidelines for handling small maximum rate complaints in Rate Guidelines--Non-Coal Proceedings, 1 S.T.B. 1004 (1996). In that decision, the Board provided tables containing "Revenue Shortfall Allocation Method" (RSAM) and "Average Revenue to Variable Cost_{>180}" (R/VC_{>180}) percentages for Class I railroads. Updated tables reflecting percentages for the period 1995-1998 for individual carriers, as well as regional (Eastern and Western) and National composite percentages, are attached as Tables I and II.

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Secretary

Table I
RSAM Markup Percentages
(Range With & Without Efficiency Adjustment)

Railroad/ Region	4 - Year Average	1998	1997	1996	1995
BNSF	218 - 294	188 - 258	243 - 324	231 - 309	210 - 284
CR	211 - 240	231 - 270	204 - 226	203 - 230	205 - 234
GTW	250 - 326	203 - 278	219 - 290	260 - 333	316 - 402
IC	144 - 164	159 - 184	183 - 211	144 - 161	90 - 98
KCS	243 - 287	220 - 264	223 - 248	275 - 331	252 - 306
SOO	278 - 369	324 - 445	292 - 412	251 - 322	244 - 295
NS	185 - 207	188 - 209	184 - 203	184 - 206	183 - 211
CSXT	194 - 223	200 - 233	196 - 226	187 - 217	192 - 217
UP	270 - 388	349 - 527	291 - 416	224 - 304	217 - 306
Eastern Region	196 - 223	204 - 235	194 - 219	191 - 218	193 - 221
Western Region	247 - 343	270 - 388	271 - 374	230 - 309	218 - 299
National	218 - 279	232 - 304	227 - 288	208 - 264	205 - 261

Table II
Average Existing Revenue-to-Variable Cost Percentages
For Traffic Above 180% R/VC

Railroad/ Region	4 - Year Average	1998	1997	1996	1995
BNSF	262	266	262	262	256
CR	222	218	218	223	229
GTW	207	213	201	205	210
IC	291	272	263	311	316
KCS	227	243	204	242	217
SOO	272	250	256	280	302
NS	219	207	211	228	229
CSXT	213	211	215	216	209
UP	240	225	234	245	256
Eastern Region	219	215	215	224	223
Western Region	251	244	248	253	258
National	240	235	235	244	244