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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Ex Parte No. 656 (Sub-No. 1)

INVESTIGATION INTO THE PRACTICES
OF THE
NATIONAL CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Decided: March 15, 2006

On February 27, 2006, five members of Congress submitted a letter regarding this proceeding. The letter was posted to the Board's website.

In a letter filed on March 14, 2006, the National Motor Freight Traffic Association, Inc., and the National Classification Committee (collectively, NCC) ask the Board for the opportunity to file a reply to the letter.

To ensure a more complete record, the Board will allow NCC to supplement their December 22, 2005 pleading by the date indicated below.

It is ordered:

1. NCC may file a supplemental pleading addressing the Congressional letter by March 24, 2006.

2. This decision is effective on its date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary