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Surface Transportation Board
Office of the Secretary
Case Control Unit
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RE: STB FD 34000

Notice of Intent to Participate of Manitowoc Public Utilities

Dear Secretary:

By letter to Secretary Williams dated April 30, 2000, Manitowoc Public Utilities ("MPU") gave notice of its intent to participate in the above-referenced proceeding. Because MPU has not received acknowledgment of this intent, we are sending this letter to give further notice of MPU's intent to participate in STB FD 34000 as a party of record.

MPU is a municipal electric utility serving almost 17,000 Wisconsin customers. As a current customer of Wisconsin Central Transportation Corporation ("WC"), MPU has concerns over the possible economic impact of the proposed merger between WC and Canadian National Railway Company.

By filing this letter, MPU requests that it be placed on the official service list for Docket FD 34000. All communications and correspondence should be sent to MPU's attorneys at the following address:

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Enclosed with this letter is an IBM-compatible floppy disk with a WordPerfect computer file containing this Notice of Intent to Participate. In addition, 25 copies of this Notice have been filed with the Board, in accordance with the Board's Decision No. 2 in STB Finance Docket No. 34000, dated May 9, 2001.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Boardman, Suhr, Curry & Field LLP

By



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Enclosure

cc: Nilaksh Kothari, Manitowoc Public Utilities
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