

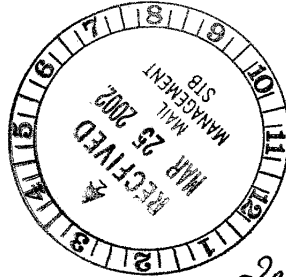
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Mr. Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Washington DC 20423

Re: F.D. No. 34145, Bulkmatc Railroad Corporation-Acquisition
Exemption-Bulkmatc Transport Company,
F.D. No. 34179, Bulkmatc Railroad Corporation-Operation
Exemption-Bulkmatc Transport Company

Dear Mr. Williams:

The petition to reject/revoke the acquisition and operation exemptions in the entitled proceedings was filed March 4, 2002. The petition advised the Board of pending discovery. (Pet., 2), such that the supplement to the petition would be due April 18, 2002. 49 CFR 1121.3.

Respondent has advised it will need additional time within which to respond to the discovery. The discovery ordinarily would have been due March 19; however, respondent believes it will be able to fully respond to discovery on or before April 1, 2002, and has no objection if petitioner is accorded a comparable extension until May 1, 2002, within which to supplement its petition.

Wherefore, it is requested that the time within which petitioner may supplement its petition to reject/revoke be extended to and including May 1, 2002.

A copy of this letter has been served upon all parties of record by first class mail postage-prepaid.

Very truly yours,

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