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Re: Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corp., and
Cedar American Rail Holdings, Inc. -- Control --
Iowa, Chicago & Eastern Railroad Corp.
STB Finance Docket No. 34178

Dear Secretary Williams:

The United States Department of Transportation hereby gives notice of its intent to participate in the above-referenced proceeding. Please include the persons listed below as representatives of the Department. Enclosed herewith are 25 copies of this notice, as directed by Decision No. 2, as well as a computer diskette of this document, convertible into WordPerfect.

Sincerely,

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