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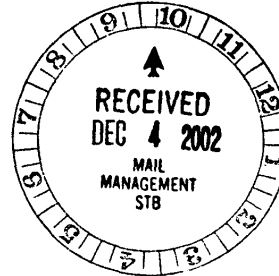
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December 3, 2002



Re: STB Finance Docket No. 34236, *Bolen-Brunson-Bell Lumber Company, Inc. v. CSX Transportation, Inc.*

Dear Mr. Williams:

Pursuant to the procedural schedule in this proceeding, Complainant's Rebuttal is required to be filed on or before December 10, 2002.

In behalf of Complainant, this is to respectfully request a seven-day extension, to December 17, 2002, of the date for filing Complainant's Rebuttal.

This requested extension is necessitated by the time lost for the Thanksgiving Holiday after receipt of Defendant's Reply on Monday of Thanksgiving week, and on the unusually lengthy nature of Defendant's Reply.

I have been authorized by Defendant's counsel to state that Defendant does not oppose the requested extension.

Ten copies accompany the original of this request.

Very truly yours,

Tom McFarland

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