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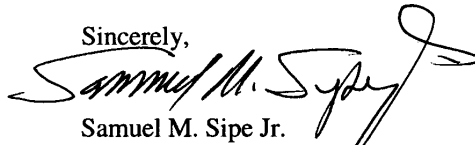
**Re: Procedures to Expedite Resolution of Rail Rate Challenges to be Considered
Under the Stand-Alone Cost Methodology, STB Ex Parte No. 638**

Dear Secretary Williams:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned matter are the original and 10 copies of the Notice of Intent to Participate of the Association of American Railroads.

Please date stamp the extra copy of this cover letter and return it to the messenger who delivered this filing.

Sincerely,


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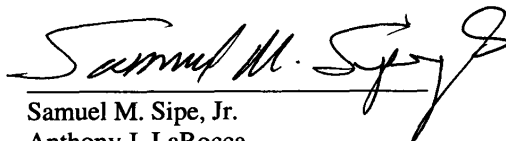
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Pursuant to the Notice of Public Hearing on the Proposed Procedures to Expedite Resolution of Rail Rate Challenges to be Considered Under the Stand-Alone Cost Methodology served by the Board on February 6, 2003, the Association of American Railroads ("AAR") hereby submits its Notice of Intent to Participate. AAR has previously filed initial and reply comments in this proceeding and hereby requests a time allotment of 30 minutes during the public hearing on this matter scheduled for February 27, 2003. Samuel M. Sipe, Jr. of Steptoe & Johnson, LLP will testify on behalf of AAR. In accordance with the Board's Notice, AAR will submit its written testimony by February 21, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that this 19th day of February 2003, a copy of the Notice of Intent to Participate of the Association of American Railroads was served by hand delivery or overnight mail on:

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