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Re: **STB Finance Docket No. 34341**
Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway Company - Acquisition
and Operation Exemption - CSX Transportation, Inc.

Dear Secretary Williams:

On October 10, 2003, the Surface Transportation Board issued a decision in the above-captioned proceeding exempting the acquisition by Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway Company ("W&LE") of the rail freight operating easement of CSX Transportation, Inc. over the rail line between approximately milepost 15.93 at Canton, Ohio and approximately milepost 33.70 at Krumroy, Ohio owned by Metro Regional Transit Authority. Ordering paragraph two of the decision requires that W&LE serve a copy of the decision on all shippers on the line.

I hereby certify that a copy of the Board's October 10, 2003 decision in this proceeding was served on October 13, 2003 by first class mail, postage prepaid, upon all shippers on the line, under cover of the attached transmittal letters.

Ten copies of this letter, with attachments, are enclosed for placement in the Board's files.

Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Sippel
Attorney for Wheeling & Lake Erie
Railway Company

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Dear Mr. Trachsel:

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Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Very truly yours, .

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Dear Mr. Bolender:

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Dear Mr. Parks:

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