

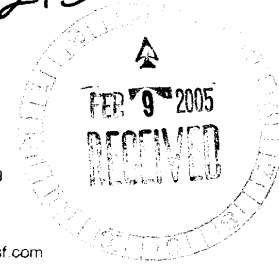


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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

**Re: STB Finance Docket No. 34335, Keokuk Junction Railway Company- Feeder
Line Acquisition- Line Of Toledo, Peoria And Western Railway Company
Between La Harpe And Hollis, IL**

Dear Secretary Williams:

BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) was served with a copy of the Board's decision served February 7, 2005. In that decision, the Board ordered that the diamond crossing between BNSF track and Toledo, Peoria and Western Railway Company (TPW) track at Bushnell, IL, be reinstalled no later than February 10, 2005, and stated that TPW had represented that BNSF could restore the diamond crossing within 38 hours. The purpose of this letter is to correct the record with regard to reinstallation of the diamond crossing at Bushnell, IL. First, there are two crossings at Bushnell between BNSF's two main lines and the TPW trackage, and both would need to have the diamonds reinstalled. Second, it is not physically possible to reinstall the crossing diamonds within that time frame. Our estimate is that it will likely take at least 180 days to reinstall the crossing diamonds from the time the new material is ordered and obtained from the manufacturer. The crossing diamonds, which were previously removed, were in need of replacement with new diamonds and are not in a condition to be reused.

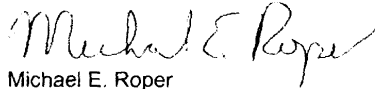
BNSF and TPW have an agreement in place, dated as of June 2, 2004, covering how BNSF handles TPW traffic in the absence of the crossing diamonds, as well as establishing a procedure for reinstalling the crossing diamonds including allocation of the costs for such restoration.

BNSF is attempting to set up a meeting with Keokuk Junction Railway Company (KJRY) to ensure a smooth transition after the TPW/KJRY transaction is completed.

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I am enclosing 10 copies of this letter for the Board's use and I have served a copy of this letter on counsel for both TPW and KJRY by facsimile and overnight mail. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Sincerely,



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