

BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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CENTRAL ILLINOIS RAILROAD COMPANY

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To the Secretary of the Board:

Pursuant to the Petition filed on or about September 12, 2005 by Central Illinois Railroad Company ("CIRY"), seeking authority to discontinue service on a line of railroad in Peoria County, Illinois, Pioneer Industrial Railway Co. ("PIRY") hereby advises the Board and parties of record of its intent to file an Offer of Financial Assistance ("OFA") under 49 CFR 1152.27. The OFA is to purchase all of the rail line formerly known as the "Kellar Branch" being approximately MP 1.71 to approximately MP 10.0, a distance of about 8.29 miles in Peoria and Peoria Heights, Peoria County, Illinois (*See generally Caddo Antoine and Little Missouri Railroad Company-Feederline Acquisition-Arkansas Midland Railroad Company Line Between Gurdon and Birds Mill, AR*, 4 S.T.B. 610, 2000 STB LEXIS 252 (served May 5, 2000)).¹

In connection with this notice of intent to file an OFA, PIRY requests that the Petitioner provide the information set forth in 49 CFR 1152.27 (a) including the minimum purchase price

¹ CIRY proposes to discontinue service on 6.29 miles of the line, thus cutting the line into two segments, and severing the north segment from its connection with the Tazewell & Peoria Railroad, which acts as a terminal switching carrier for the eight line-haul railroads entering the Peoria terminal. The northern segment would thus be required to use the City-owned line "to the west" which connects with only the Union Pacific.

required to acquire the line. PIRY also requests that Petitioner provide all data necessary to determine the estimate of net liquidation value of the line together with supporting data reflecting available real estate appraisal, assessments of the quality and the quantity of track material in the line and removal cost estimate used to obtain the net liquidation value.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel A. LaKemper". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Daniel" and last name "LaKemper" clearly distinguishable.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing instrument was served on September 12, 2004, by United States Mail, first class, postage fully pre-paid, upon:

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