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Hon. Vernon A. Williams
Surface Transportation Board
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RE: STB Docket No. EX PARTE NO. 230 (Sub-No. 8),
IMPROVEMENT OF TOFC/COFC REGULATION,
WTL Rail Corporation
Petition for Partial Revocation of Exemption

STB Docket No. 42090, WTL Rail Corporation
Petition for Declaratory Relief

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am writing on behalf of Petitioner WTL Rail Corporation ("WTL") in connection with the above-captioned proceeding.

In its most recent decision in this matter served on September 1, 2005, the Board granted the parties' request to hold this matter in abeyance until October 3 to give them an opportunity to conduct settlement discussions. In addition, the Board set September 30, as a deadline for the parties to provide the Board with a status report of their discussions.

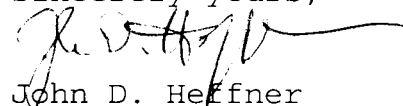
WTL believes that the parties have made substantial progress towards a settlement; however, there are certain matters as to which each side has requested documentation from the other. Accordingly, this matter is still unresolved. The parties are continuing to talk and believe that they will come to a settlement in the near future. Accordingly, WTL requests that the Board issue an order continuing to hold this proceeding in abeyance for another 30 days or until October 30. The parties will provide the Board with another status report on October 30 and will advise when a reply, if any, by CSX Transportation and CSXI Intermodal ("the CSX parties") should be due.

I am authorized to represent that the CSX parties concur in this letter and request for an extension.

Hon. Vernon A. Williams
September 30, 2005
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Please date stamp and return one copy of this filing.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John D. Heffner", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

John D. Heffner

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