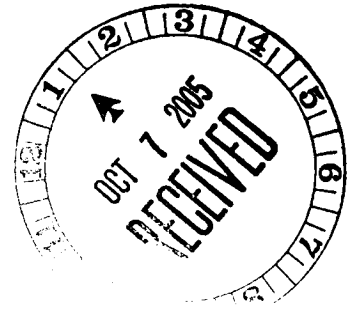


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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K St. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

RE: STB Ex Parte No. 658, *The 25th Anniversary of the Staggers Rail Act of 1980;
A Review and Look Ahead*

Dear Secretary Williams:

Please find enclosed the original and ten (10) copies of The National Industrial Transportation League's Notice of Intent to Participate for filing in the above referenced proceeding.

An extra copy of the Notice is enclosed for stamping and returning to our offices.

Should you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Nicholas DiMichael/a.d.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE

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Pursuant to the Board's Decision served in this proceeding on September 14, 2005, the National Industrial Transportation League ("League") hereby notifies the Board of its intent to participate in the hearing to be held on October 19, 2005. The League requests 20 minutes. Curt Warfel, First Vice-Chairman of the League, and John Ficker, President of the League will be speaking. Their topics will include: (1) the experience of the industry under the Staggers Act; (2) changes in the industry since passage of the Staggers Act; and (3) recommendations for future public policy.

Respectfully submitted,

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