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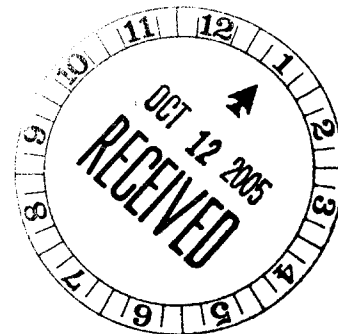
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Dear Mr. Dettmar:

This letter constitutes the comments of the Coors Brewing Company in the above-referenced docket.

Coors is a regular and significant user of rail services, particularly at its breweries and packaging plants. By rail we receive both finished and raw materials and ship out finished product.

This docket is styled as a "review and look ahead" regarding the Staggers Rail Act of 1980.

Coors continues to support the basic regulatory approach established by the Staggers Act. We, like all shippers, want good rail service at a fair price and have found the Staggers Act approach to be consistent with that objective. While we are among the shippers that have experienced some rail transportation problems over the years, we have worked hard with carriers to resolve and minimize such problems when they occur. That process has convinced us that the current statutory framework represents a sound approach to achieving the objective of good service at a fair price.

We would be concerned if the basic regulatory approach established by the Staggers Act were modified in a way that could hinder the ability of railroads to effectively serve us as well as the general shipping public.

We thank you for your consideration of our views on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Richard Crawford
Director
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