

UNITED STATE OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

IN RE: MAJOR ISSUES IN RAIL RATE
CASES

STB Ex Parte
NO. 657 (Sub - No. 1)

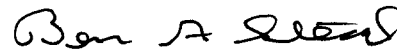
REPLY COMMENTS
OF THE IOWA OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE

The Iowa Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), a division of the Iowa
Department of Justice, and for its Reply Comments states:

The Iowa OCA, based upon the unique ratemaking methodologies of the US
Surface Transportation Board, fully endorses the JOINT OPENING COMMENTS of the
WESTERN COAL TRAFFIC LEAGUE *et al* filed in this proceeding on May 1, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A copy has been served on each party this
25th day of May 2006.

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