



**American Short Line and
Regional Railroad Association**

The Voice of America's Independent Railroads

July 6, 2006

Honorable Vernon Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Room 715
1925 K Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

Re: STB Ex Parte No. 575: Review of Rail Access and Competition Issues – Renewed
petition of the Western Coal Traffic League

Dear Secretary Williams:

I have been asked by Richard F. Timmons, President of the American Short Line and
Regional Railroad Association, to submit his formal notice of intent to participate in the public
hearing scheduled for July 27, 2006 in the above-referenced matter. Mr. Timmons requests 5
minutes for his testimony.

Sincerely,

Keith T. Borman

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Vice President & General Counsel

cc: Roger Bell