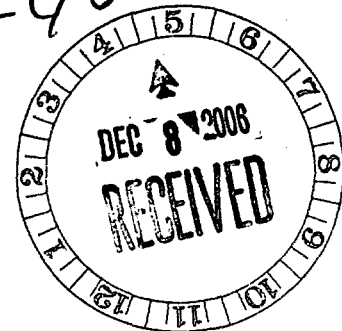


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John D. Fitzgerald,^{1/} for and on behalf of United Transportation Union-General Committee of Adjustment (UTU/GO-386), submits these comments in response to Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM), dated September 15, 2006 (served September 20), 71 Fed. Reg. 55825-26 (Sept. 25, 2006).

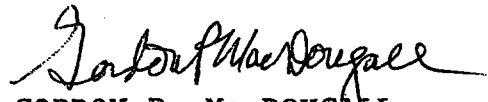
The ANPRM states the proceeding will provide all interested parties an opportunity to comment on various proposals. These comments by UTU/GO-386) are not developed, inasmuch as the Board's Chairman^{2/} stated today that the matter will be assigned for public hearing, on issues to be subsequently designated.

UTU/GO-386 desires to be a party so that it may be in a position to submit comments on the issues designated for hearing, when such are make known.

Respectfully submitted,

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^{2/} Remarks at meeting of Transportation Table, held at National Press Club, Washington, DC.



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