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Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

Re: Rail Capacity and Infrastructure Requirements.
Ex Parte No. 671

Dear Secretary Williams:

During the course of today's public hearing in the above-referenced proceeding, Commissioner Mulvey asked a question of the witness appearing on behalf of the United States Department of Transportation, Under Secretary for Policy Jeffrey N. Shane, regarding loans to railroads made through the Railroad Rehabilitation and Infrastructure Financing ("RRIF") program. This letter is intended to fulfill Under Secretary Shane's offer to supplement the record in order to provide a more complete response.

The Department's written testimony submitted in this proceeding on April 4 relates that "over half a billion dollars" in loans have been guaranteed through the RRIF program since its establishment in 2002. Testimony at 9. Specifically, the total is \$663.72 million. The enclosure to this letter details the amounts guaranteed for the individual railroad participants in the program. If additional information would be helpful, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure

RRIF Loan Agreements, 2002 – Present

ORGANIZATION	YEAR	AMOUNT
R.J. Corman Railroad Group	2007	\$58.9 million
Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad	2007	\$48.3 million
Iowa Northern Railroad	2006	\$25.5 million
Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway	2006	\$14 million
Iowa Interstate Railroad	2006	\$9.35 million
Great Smoky Mountains Railroad	2005	\$7.5 million
Riverport Railroad	2005	\$5.5 million
The Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway	2005	\$34 million
Tex-Mex Railroad	2005	\$50 million
Iowa Interstate Railroad	2005	\$32.7 million
Stillwater Central Railroad	2004	\$4.6 million
Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway	2004	\$25 million
Arkansas & Missouri Railroad	2003	\$11 million
Nashville and Western Railroad	2003	\$2.3 million
Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad	2003	\$233 million
Amtrak	2002	\$100 million
Mount Hood Railroad	2002	\$2.07 million

Total loan agreements executed = \$663.72 million.