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Re: **Finance Docket No. 35045 - Amendment To Trackage Rights Agreement between Duluth, Missabe and Iron Range Railway Company and Duluth, Winnipeg and Pacific Railway Company**

Finance Docket No. 35046 - Amendment To Trackage Rights Agreement between Duluth, Winnipeg and Pacific Railway Company and Duluth, Missabe and Iron Range Railway Company

Finance Docket No. 35047 - Trackage Rights Agreement between Duluth, Missabe and Iron Range Railway Company and Wisconsin Central Ltd.

Finance Docket No. 34048 - Trackage Rights Agreement between Duluth, Winnipeg and Pacific Railway Company and Wisconsin Central Ltd.

Finance Docket No. 35049 - Trackage Rights Agreement between Wisconsin Central Ltd. and Duluth, Missabe and Iron Range Railway Company

Finance Docket No. 35050 - Trackage Rights Agreement between Wisconsin Central Ltd. and Duluth, Winnipeg and Pacific Railway Company

Dear Secretary Williams

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned proceeding are an original and ten copies of a Motion to Continue Proceeding in Abeyance. A disk containing the caption summary is enclosed.

Honorable Vernon A Williams
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I have included an extra copy of this transmittal letter and request that you date stamp this to show receipt of this filing and return it to me in the envelope provided.

Please feel free to contact me should any questions arise regarding this filing. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Thomas J. Healey

cc. Dan Elliott

Enclosures

**BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
WASHINGTON, DC 20423**

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STB Finance Docket No 35045

**TRACKAGE RIGHTS AGREEMENT
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And
DULUTH, WINNIPEG AND PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY**

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And

DULUTH, WINNIPEG AND PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY

MOTION TO CONTINUE PROCEEDING IN ABEYANCE

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COMES NOW Wisconsin Central Ltd., Duluth, Winnipeg and Pacific Railway Company, and Duluth, Missabe and Iron Range Railway Company (collectively "CN"), and request that the Surface Transportation Board ("STB") continue in abeyance for a period of sixty (60) days any further proceedings on the Petitions to Revoke Exemptions (collectively "Petitions") filed by United Transportation Union ("UTU") in the six referenced dockets. CN and UTU continue to work toward reaching an agreement as to the issues raised in UTU's Petitions, but have not yet reached agreement. UTU's counsel has reviewed this Motion and has granted the undersigned counsel authority to indicate UTU's concurrence with same.

In furtherance of this Motion, CN states as follows:

1. On June 14, 2007, CN filed Notices of Exemption governing six separate trackage rights agreements among several rail carriers owned and controlled by Canadian National Railway Company. Concurrently, CN filed a Motion for Protective Order in each docket. The Motions for Protective Order were granted by order dated June 28, 2007, and each of the

exemptions became effective on July 14, 2007.

2. On July 23, 2007, UTU filed the Petitions, seeking to have the six exemptions revoked on the allegation that the sole purpose of the exemptions was to circumvent existing collective bargaining agreements

3 On August 15, 2007, the STB entered an order granting the joint motion of CN and UTU to hold the consideration of UTU's Petitions in abeyance for a period of sixty (60) days, to allow the parties to attempt to negotiate an amicable resolution

4 Subsequent to the entry of the August 15, 2007 order, CN and UTU engaged in discussions regarding the implementation of the authority granted in the exemptions. However, no agreement was reached, and therefore the STB entered an order on October 11, 2007, granting a joint motion to continue the date for CN's responses to December 14, 2007

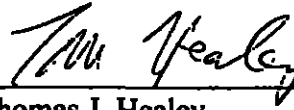
5 The parties have still not reached any agreement on the matters raised by UTU in these dockets. However, the parties have agreed to meet and work on an agreement over the next sixty (60) days. Therefore, the parties move the STB to enter an order extending the response date for CN to UTU's Petitions for an additional sixty (60) days, to February 12, 2008

6. Counsel for UTU has reviewed this Motion and has granted the undersigned counsel authority to indicate UTU's concurrence with same

WHEREFORE, Wisconsin Central Ltd., Duluth, Winnipeg and Pacific Railway Company, and Duluth, Missabe and Iron Range Railway Company respectfully request that the

STB hold consideration of UTU's Petitions in abeyance for an additional period of sixty (60) days while the parties meet to reach an agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated December 6, 2007

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Thomas J. Healey, hereby certify that on this 6th day of December, 2007, copies of the foregoing Motion To Hold Proceeding In Abeyance have been served by first class mail, postage prepaid, or by more expeditious means of delivery upon all parties of record to this proceeding identified on the Surface Transportation Board's website

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