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Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W., Suite 1149
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Finance Docket No. 35111, *South Plains Switching, Ltd. Co. -- Compensation For Use Of Facilities In Alternative Rail Service -- West Texas and Lubbock Railway Company*

Dear Mr. Williams:

This refers to a three-part Motion filed in behalf of PYCO Industries, Inc. (PYCO) and West Texas & Lubbock Railway Co. (WTLC) in the above proceeding on December 26, 2007.

In regard to Part I of the Motion, South Plains Switching, Ltd. Co. (SAW) does not oppose intervention in the proceeding by PYCO.

In regard to Part III of the Motion, SAW does not oppose a two-day extension for filing a reply to SAW's Petition for Compensation.

In regard to Part II of the Motion, SAW opposes a protective order that would delay SAW's discovery. The discovery seeks simple traffic figures and backup documentation that is solely in the possession of WTLC and is kept in the ordinary course of business. WTLC's contention that it would take 14 man-days to compile that information appears to be grossly exaggerated. There is no reason why that relevant information should not be promptly furnished.

Very truly yours,

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