

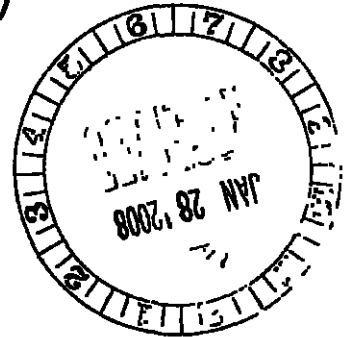
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James N. Harton
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January 17, 2008



The Honorable Vernon A Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 F. Street, S W
Washington, DC 20423

Dear Honorable Williams

Subject: Ex Parte 385 (Sub.-No. 6), Waybill Sample, Decision Dated December 17, 2007

Rhodia Inc supported the past decision by the STB to alter the percentage basis Rail Fuel Surcharge format into a mileage basis format on the majority of rail traffic. This established a better reflection of the expense of fuel for our rail movements. The recent decision by the STB to standardize the way in which fuel surcharge revenue is reported in a lump dollar format melding freight and fuel is contradictory to the detail required for our individual customer supply movements. The payers of freight are best served analyzing and validating fuel expense on an individual stand-alone movement basis. We are in concurrence with NITL that the annual freight bill sample should have a separate accounting for fuel per freight bill or movement. This will allow improved fuel analysis by routing lanes.

Thus, Rhodia Inc supports the NITL and specifically the statement dated December 31, 2007 of NITL's legal counsel, Nicholas DiMichael of Thompson-Hine, who has written to the STB asking to reconsider this format for the waybill sample. We support this initiative with great fervor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James N. Harton", written over a horizontal line.

James N. Harton

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