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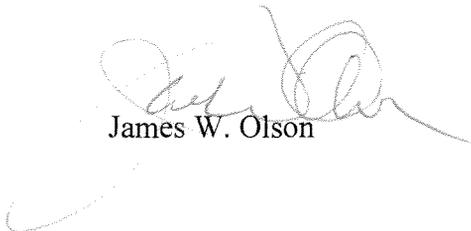
Re: Finance Docket No. 35799
Rapid City, Pierre and Eastern Railroad, Inc. - Acquisition and Operation
Exemption Including Interchange Commitment - Dakota, Minnesota and Eastern
Railroad Corp.

Dear Chief:

I have enclosed, pursuant to the Rules of the Surface Transportation Board, a Notice of Intent to Participate and Appearance of Counsel filed on behalf of West River Rail Association, a South Dakota not-for-profit organization of shipper members who do give notice of intent to participate in this Finance Docket with the undersigned as counsel. An original signed Notice of Intent to Participate and Appearance of Counsel together with ten (10) copies thereof are submitted with this transmittal.

Respectfully Submitted,

WILSON, OLSON & NASH, P.C.


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Enclosures

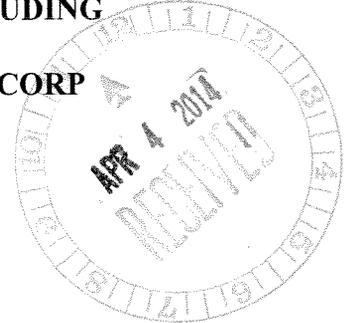
cc: West River Rail Association members
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BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

FINANCE DOCKET NO. 35799

**RAPID CITY, PIERRE, AND EASTERN RAILROAD, INC.
-ACQUISITION AND OPERATION EXEMPTION INCLUDING
INTERCHANGE COMMITMENT
DAKOTA, MINNESOTA AND EASTERN RAILROAD CORP**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE AND
APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL**



The West River Rail Association, a not for profit corporation, organized and existing in the State of South Dakota, does hereby give notice of intent to participate in this Finance Docket and enter the appearance of counsel: James W. Olson, Wilson, Olson & Nash, P.C.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "James W. Olson".

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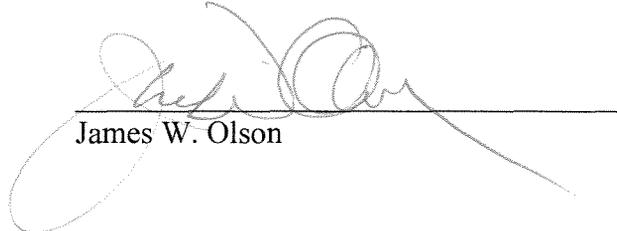
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