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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Finance Docket No. 33381

APPLICATION OF THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORP. UNDER
49 U.S.C. 24308(a)--SPRINGFIELD TERMINAL RAILWAY COMPANY, BOSTON AND
MAINE CORPORATION, AND PORTLAND TERMINAL COMPANY

Decided: July 30, 1997

This compensation proceeding under 49 U.S.C. 24308(a) is scheduled to be heard under the Board's modified procedure, with simultaneous opening briefs due August 4, 1997, and simultaneous reply briefs due August 25, 1997. By motion filed July 29, 1997, National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) requests a 2-day extension of time to file opening briefs. Amtrak requests that there be no change in the August 25 due date for reply briefs. Amtrak indicates that it is authorized to state that none of the other parties in the proceeding objects to its request. The motion will be granted.

It is ordered:

1. The due date for simultaneous opening briefs is extended to August 6, 1997.
2. Simultaneous reply briefs remain due August 25, 1997.
3. This decision is effective on the service date.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary