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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

STB Finance Docket No. 33388

CSX CORPORATION AND CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.  
NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION AND  
NORFOLK SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY  
--CONTROL AND OPERATING LEASES/AGREEMENTS--  
CONRAIL INC. AND CONSOLIDATED RAIL CORPORATION

Decision No. 85

Decided: May 28, 1998

The oral argument and the voting conference in this proceeding have been scheduled for June 3, 4, and 8, 1998, in the Surface Transportation Board Hearing Room (Suite 760) at 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. The Board will provide an overflow room (the Brick Room) on the first floor of the building with a closed-circuit telecast of the entire proceeding.

ORAL ARGUMENT

All participants in the oral argument must notify the Board's Office of the Secretary of the name of the speaker for the oral argument. The participants must notify the Secretary's Information Officer, Bettye Uzzle at 202/565-1650 by noon, June 2, 1998, of the speaker's name. Ms. Uzzle will also accept the requested information by fax at 202/565-9004.

VOTING CONFERENCE

Given the large number of persons likely to attend the voting conference, the Board requests that all persons attending the hearing use the building's entrance located on 20<sup>th</sup> Street between K and L Streets. For security reasons, upon entering the 20<sup>th</sup> Street entrance, all persons should be prepared to produce photo identification (such as a driver's license), pass through a metal detector, and submit to an inspection of all briefcases, handbags and any other bags.

To effectively conduct the voting conference, the Board must limit access to the hearing room. Each applicant (Conrail, Inc., CSX Corporation and Norfolk Southern Corporation) will be allotted five admission badges. The balance of the seating in the hearing room for the voting conference will be on a first come, first served basis. Only **eighty** admission badges for the voting conference will be available and those badges will be available at the Board's 20<sup>th</sup> Street entrance beginning at 9:00 am on June 8, 1998, the day of the conference. The admission badges for the voting conference will be disbursed one per person, on a first come, first served basis.

Once all 80 badges have been given out, the 20<sup>th</sup> street doors will be closed. These doors will reopen at 12:00 p.m. Upon clearing security at the 20<sup>th</sup> Street entrance, the holders of admission badges for the hearing room will be escorted to the seventh floor hearing room. Only holders of hearing room or media badges will be admitted to the seventh floor hearing room. All those without badges will be admitted to the overflow room for the voting conference, and 135 seats will be available for the proceeding. No admission badge will be required to view the voting conference in the overflow room. The voting conference will be video-taped, and the Board will make arrangements to have the tapes duplicated, at cost, if there is a public demand for copies of the tapes.

At the conclusion of the voting conference and all Board business on June 8, 1998, the hearing room will be made available to participants in the proceeding for the purpose of speaking to the press. Those who wish to use the hearing room for such a press conference should contact Media Officer Dennis Watson at 202/565-1596 by June 2, 1998, to register to use the hearing room.

Comments or questions concerning this decision should be directed to Bettye Uzzle, the Information Officer for the Office of the Secretary at 202/565-1650.

It is ordered:

1. Admittance to the Surface Transportation Board proceedings on June 8, 1998, will be upon the conditions set forth above.

2. This decision is effective on the date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

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