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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Finance Docket No. 32760 (Sub-No. 25)

UNION PACIFIC CORPORATION, UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY,  
AND MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY--CONTROL AND MERGER--  
SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAIL CORPORATION, SOUTHERN PACIFIC  
TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY  
COMPANY, SPCSL CORP., AND THE DENVER AND RIO GRANDE  
WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY

Decided: September 1, 1998

On August 10, 1998, the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees (BMWE) filed a petition to dismiss its appeal of the October 15, 1997 Arbitration Award and for an order of vacatur of the arbitration award. Replies to the petition were due, under 49 CFR 1104.13(a), on August 30, 1998. On August 27, 1998, respondent, Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP), filed a motion requesting a 1-week extension of time in which to file a reply in opposition to the motion for vacatur of the arbitration award. UP states that the extension is necessary because its General Director-Labor Relations and UP's in-house counsel were traveling on company business and were unable to review the draft reply. UP is of the opinion, based on a recent telephone conversation with BMWE's counsel, that BMWE does not object to the extension request.

The motion will be granted, and UP's reply will be due on September 3, 1998.

It is ordered:

1. UP's motion for a 1-week extension of time to file a reply to BMWE's petition for an order of vacatur of the October 15, 1997 Arbitration Award is granted.
2. UP's reply is now due on September 3, 1998.
3. This decision is effective on its date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary