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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Ex Parte No. 575

REVIEW OF RAIL ACCESS AND COMPETITION ISSUES

Decided: March 20, 1998

A public hearing into rail access and competition issues has been set beginning April 2, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., and ending on April 3, 1998, at the Surface Transportation Board, Hearing Room--Suite 760, 1925 K Street, NW, Washington, DC. By notice served on March 10, 1998, the Board required parties seeking to appear at this hearing to designate, by March 16, 1998, the persons who will speak, the parties they will be representing, and the time requested to speak.

The schedule of appearances and the time provided for parties are set out in the Appendix to this decision. Speakers must file written statements with the Board by March 26, 1998. Given the large number of speakers, in order to complete their testimony within their allotted time, speakers are encouraged to condense their remarks rather than read their written statements.

Participants planning to use visual aids, such as maps, are advised to inform the Office of the Secretary at (202) 565-1650, no later than the close of business on March 27, 1998. Participants are limited to projector adaptable visual displays or handouts. The Board will provide space for handouts for dissemination to the public. The Board staff will be available in the Board's Hearing Room--Suite 760 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 30, 1998, to demonstrate the Board's projection system.

It is ordered:

1. Time for oral presentations is allotted in the Appendix to this decision.
2. This decision is effective on its date of service.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams

Secretary

**APPENDIX
SCHEDULE OF APPEARANCES**

I. APRIL 2, 1998

<u>Party</u>	<u>Time Allotted</u>
<u>Association of American Railroads Panel</u>	20 minutes
Robert D. Krebs	(panelists to allot time)
John W. Snow	
Karen B. Phillips	
Samuel M. Sipe, Jr.	
 <u>Federal Agencies</u>	
U. S. Department of Agriculture	10 minutes
Michael V. Dunn	
U.S. Department of Transportation	10 minutes
 <u>State and Local Governmental Interests</u>	
City of Cleveland, Ohio	10 minutes
Mayor Michael R. White	
State of New York	10 minutes
John F. Guinan	
California Public Utilities Commission	10 minutes
P. Gregory Conlon	
Railroad Commission of Texas	10 minutes
Charles R. Matthews	
American Public Transit Association	5 minutes
Daniel Duff	
 <u>Labor</u>	
United Transportation Union	10 minutes
James M. Brunkenhoefer	

Ports and Related Interests

Port Authority of Houston H. Thomas Kornegay	5 minutes
Jacksonville Port Authority Ron Katims	5 minutes
New York City Economic Development Corporation Charles Millard	5 minutes
Lower Mississippi River Shippers Coalition Martin W. Bercovici	5 minutes

Maritime and Related Interests Panel

APL, Ltd., J.B. Hunt Transport, Matson Intermodal System, and Eastman Kodak Co. Dan Pendleton (APL, Ltd.) Paul R. Bergant (J.B. Hunt) Michael R. Checci (Matson Intermodal) Linda L. Kelley (Eastman Kodak Co.)	15 minutes (panelists to allot time)
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Shipper Associations (General)

Alliance for Rail Competition Dr. Alfred E. Kahn and Dr. Frederick C. Dunbar Terry Whiteside	20 minutes
Consumers United for Rail Equity Chuck Ebetino	10 minutes
National Industrial Transportation League Edward M. Emmett	15 minutes

Coal Shippers/Utilities (Groups)

Western Coal Traffic League Mark W. Schwirtz Marguerite Mills	20 minutes
Edison Electric Institute Charles Linderman	15 minutes

National Mining Association 8 minutes
Joseph E. Lema

Individual Coal Shippers

City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri 5 minutes
Kenneth McClure

Consumers Energy Company 5 minutes
William E. Garrity

Potomac Electric Power Company 5 minutes
Susann D. Felton

Indianapolis Power & Light Company 5 minutes
David Barnard

Northern States Power Company 5 minutes
Duane L. Richards

Otter Tail Power Company 5 minutes
Nicholas J. DiMichael

Grain Interests

National Grain and Feed Association 15 minutes
David C. Barrett, Jr.

North Dakota Grain Dealers Association 10 minutes
Jerry Janz

Top Dollar Grain Company 5 minutes
Art Smith

HEARING CONTINUED ON APRIL 3, 1998

II. APRIL 3, 1998

<u>Party</u>	<u>Time Allotted</u>
<u>Chemical, Fertilizer, Plastics Shipper Groups</u>	
Chemical Manufacturers Association Michael J. Garrigan	10 minutes
Fertilizer Institute Frederic E. Schrodt	10 minutes
Society of the Plastics Industry H. Patrick Jack	10 minutes
<u>Chemical Interests (Individual)</u>	
Amoco Oil Company, Dow Chemical Co., and DuPont Chemical Co. Robert L. Theurer (Amoco) Bill Gebo (Dow) Hugh L. Fisher (DuPont)	15 minutes (panelists to allot time)
Shell Oil Company and Shell Chemical Company Brian P. Felker	5 minutes
<u>Aggregates Shippers</u>	
CEMEX, USA Ms. Rose Mary Clyburn Gary P. Burns	5 minutes
Wyandot Dolomite Timothy A. Wolfe	5 minutes
National Lime and Stone Company Ronald W. Kruse	5 minutes

Other Shippers

Fort Orange Paper Company 5 minutes
 John P. Hay, Jr.

IBP, Inc. 5 minutes
 Perry M. Bourne

Formosa Plastics Corporation 5 minutes
 Andrew P. Goldstein

Johnson, James 5 minutes

American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association
 and
 Illinois Central Railroad Company

American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association 10 minutes
 Peter Gilbertson
 K. Earl Durden
 William Loftus

Illinois Central Railroad Company 10 minutes
 Myles L. Tobin

Short Lines and Related Interests

Brownsville Navigation District 5 minutes
 Larry E. Cantu

Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi R. Co. 5 minutes
 Larry J. Ahlers

Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway Company 5 minutes
 Larry R. Parsons

Stark Development Board 5 minutes
 Randall C. Hunt

West Virginia Terminals 5 minutes
 Peter E. Hubbard

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