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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

STB Finance Docket No. 30186 (Sub-No. 3)

Decided: May 28, 2003

TONGUE RIVER RAILROAD CO. – CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION – WESTERN
ALIGNMENT

NOTICE TO THE PARTIES:

On March 26, 2003, the Surface Transportation Board's Section of Environmental Analysis issued an Amended Notice of Intent to Prepare a Supplement to the Final Environmental Impact Statement and Request for Comments on the Adequacy of the Final Scope of the Supplement Dated February 3, 1999, in this proceeding. The Amended Notice of Intent provided a 45 day comment period for interested parties to submit comments, with a 15 day period for Tongue River Railroad Company (TRRC) to reply.

TRRC has requested a one week extension of time, until June 3, 2003, to file its reply because the comments of several parties were not received by the Board until after the 45 day comment period.

Therefore, we will extend the reply period for TRRC for one additional week, or until June 3, 2003, to provide adequate time for TRRC to prepare a reply.

It is ordered:

1. The reply date set forth in the Amended Notice of Intent to Prepare a Supplement to the Final Environmental Impact Statement and Request for Comments on the Adequacy of the Final Scope of the Supplement Dated February 3, 1999 shall be extended to June 3, 2003.

By the Board, Victoria Rutson, Chief, Section of Environmental Analysis.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary