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SERVICE DATE - MAY 24, 2002

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

Section 5a Application No. 61 (Sub-No. 6)

NATIONAL CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE – AGREEMENT

Decided: May 23, 2002

On March 20, 2002, the National Classification Committee (NCC) filed its proposed modifications to its bureau agreement, as required by the Board's decision served on November 20, 2001. On May 20, 2002, comments on NCC's proposed modifications were filed by: the National Industrial Transportation League; the National Small Shipments Traffic Conference, Inc., jointly with the Health and Personal Care Logistics Conference, Inc.; and the Halogenated Solvents Industry Alliance, Inc.¹

By motion filed by facsimile on May 22, 2002, NCC requests that the deadline for its reply to the comments be extended, from June 3, 2002, to June 13, 2002. As justification, NCC maintains that: (1) several of the comments are quite extensive and due to the intervening Memorial Day holiday, it will have only 7 working days to prepare a reply to these comments; and (2) it has not yet received several sets of comments that it is aware other parties have submitted.

NCC's request for an extension is reasonable and will be granted.

It is ordered:

1. The deadline for NCC's reply statement is extended until June 13, 2002.

¹ By decision served April 8, 2002, the Board extended the deadline for filing comments on NCC's proposal from April 19 to May 20, 2002, and extended the deadline for NCC's reply to June 3, 2002.

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

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary