

**BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

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CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY

Complainant,

v.

CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.

Defendant.

Docket No. NOR 42142

JOINT SUBMISSION OF OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

Pursuant to the Board's April 10, 2015 decision in the above-captioned proceeding, Complainant Consumers Energy Company ("Consumers") and Defendant CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") hereby jointly submit the operating characteristics to be used in calculating CSXT's variable costs for the movement of the issue traffic between Chicago, IL and West Olive, MI.

At this time, CSXT and Consumers have agreed upon eight of the nine designated URCS Phase III inputs for the issue movement. To date, the parties have not been able to reach agreement upon the remaining input, "Loaded Miles." The parties will continue to attempt to resolve these differences prior to the submission of evidence, and will promptly advise the Board if they reach agreement on the applicable loaded miles. The eight stipulated inputs are as follows:

- 1) Railroad: CSXT
- 2) Loaded Miles: Parties do not agree.
- 3) Shipment Type: Receive and Terminate

- 4) Cars Per Shipment: 129.5
- 5) Car Type: Gondola and Equipped Hopper¹
- 6) Owner: Private
- 7) Net Tons Per Car: 120.8
- 8) Commodity (Full STCC): Coal (1121290)
- 9) Movement Type: Unit Train

Respectfully submitted,



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¹ The issue movements typically utilize plain gondola cars (AAR Car Type J), but occasionally use equipped hopper cars (AAR Car Type K). To reflect these facts the parties have agreed to perform two URCS calculations and then weight the results 95% gondola and 5% hopper to arrive at a variable cost per ton.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 15th day of July, 2015, I caused a copy of the foregoing Joint Submission of Operating Characteristics to be served on the following parties by first class mail, postage prepaid or more expeditious method of delivery:

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