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Ms. Cynthia Brown
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Re: STB Docket No. EP 724, United States Rail Service Issues

Dear Ms. Brown:

In accordance with the Board's Notice of Public Hearing served April 1, 2014, we hereby provide notice that AMCOL International Corporation ("AMCOL") intends to participate in the April 10, 2014 hearing in this proceeding.

AMCOL is a leading producer and marketer of bentonite and other specialty materials. AMCOL ships large volumes of its products from Wyoming origins via Canadian Pacific Railway Company and BNSF Railway Company. AMCOL will be represented at the hearing by Mr. Jeff Burket, AMCOL's Global Supply Chain Manager. AMCOL requests that the Board afford it five minutes of time at the hearing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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An Attorney for AMCOL International
Corporation