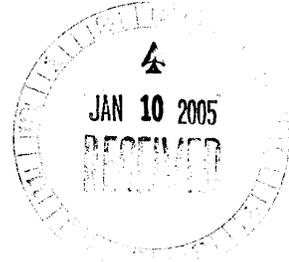


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Complainant,

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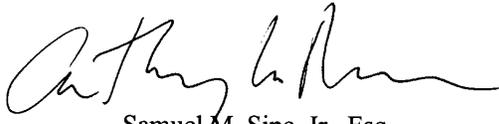
JOINT STATEMENT REGARDING SUPPLEMENTAL PLEADINGS

Complainant Public Service Company of Colorado d/b/a Xcel Energy (“Xcel Energy”) and defendant The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (“BNSF”) hereby file this Joint Statement in response to the Board’s December 14, 2004 decision in this docket (“Technical Corrections Decision”), wherein the Board invited the parties to file supplemental pleadings on certain issues.

In its Technical Corrections Decision, the Board made various modifications to the decision it served in this proceeding on June 8, 2004. In the areas of Tonnage Calibration, Headquarters Building and the DCF Model, the Board identified certain issues raised by one party where the other party did not have the opportunity to present an opposing view. Hence, the Board invited the opposing party, be it BNSF or Xcel Energy, to submit a “supplemental pleading” addressing the issue if it so desired. The Board subsequently extended the due date for these supplemental pleadings to January 10, 2005.

Xcel Energy and BNSF have evaluated the Board's Technical Corrections Decision, with specific attention to the issues on which the Board invited supplemental pleadings. With this Joint Statement, both Xcel Energy and BNSF hereby notify the Board that they have no comments on the specific issues identified by the Board.

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