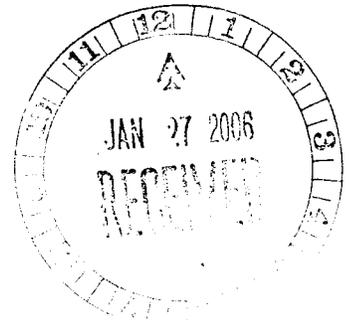


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January 27, 2006

**BY HAND**

Hon. Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
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Washington, DC 20423-001

Re: STB Finance Docket No. 34783, *The Indiana Rail Road Company -- Acquisition -  
- Soo Line Railroad Company*; Notice of Intent to Participate

Dear Secretary Williams:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding are an original and ten copies of the Notice of Intent to Participate of Louisville & Indiana Railroad Company.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed acknowledgment copy and returning it to our messenger.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark H. Sidman', written over a horizontal line.

Mark H. Sidman

Enclosures

BEFORE THE  
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Finance Docket No. 34783

THE INDIANA RAIL ROAD COMPANY  
--ACQUISITION--  
SOO LINE RAILROAD COMPANY



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NOTICE OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE  
OF  
LOUISVILLE & INDIANA RAILROAD COMPANY

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Pursuant to Decision No. 2 in the above-captioned proceeding, Louisville & Indiana Railroad Company hereby gives notice of its intent to participate in this proceeding as a party of record.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark H. Sidman".

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Dated: January 27, 2006

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

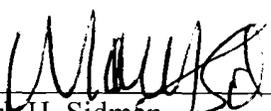
I hereby certify that on January 27, 2006, a copy of the foregoing Notice of Intent to Participate of Louisville & Indiana Railroad Company was served by first class mail, postage prepaid, upon:

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