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September 8, 2015

Chief  
Section of Administration  
Office of Proceedings  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Section Chief,

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two (2) copies of a Bill of Sale and Partial Release (GARC Trust No. 97-1), dated as of August 20, 2015, a secondary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The enclosed document relates to the documents previously filed with the Board under Recordation Number 20895.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are:

Owner Trustee: U.S. Bank National Association  
(successor to State Street Bank and  
Trust Company of Connecticut, N.A.)  
225 Franklin Street  
Boston, MA 02110

Indenture  
Trustee: The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company,  
N.A., successor in interest to The Bank of New  
York Trust Company, N.A., successor in  
Interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.,  
successor in interest to Bank One, National  
Association  
One Wall Street  
New York, NY 10286

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A description of the equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

1 railcar RELEASED: GATX 31767.

A short summary of the document to appear in the index is:

Bill of Sale and Partial Release (GARC Trust No. 97-1).

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$43.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of the enclosed document to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



Edward M. Luria

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Enclosures

**BILL OF SALE AND PARTIAL RELEASE**

U.S. Bank National Association, successor to State Street Bank and Trust Company of Connecticut, N.A., not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee under GARC Trust 97-1 (the "Lessor") under an Equipment Lease Agreement (GARC Trust 97-1) dated as of September 24, 1997 (the "Lease") between the Lessor and General American Railcar Corporation (the "Lessee"), does hereby grant, bargain, sell, transfer, convey, assign and release to the Lessee and its successors and assigns all right, title and interest of the Lessor, in and to the railcar designated as GATX 031767 (the "Unit") "as is," "where is," without recourse or warranty other than a warranty against Lessor's Liens as defined in Appendix A to the Lease, and does hereby acknowledge that the lease term under the Lease with respect to the Unit and the obligation of the Lessee to pay rent for such Unit under the Lease has terminated.

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., successor-in-interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., successor-in-interest to Bank One, National Association as Trustee (the "Indenture Trustee") under a Trust Indenture and Security Agreement (GARC Trust 97-1) dated as of September 24, 1997 (the "Indenture") between the Lessor and the Indenture Trustee, hereby terminates, releases and discharges its security interest in the Unit under the Indenture and hereby acknowledges that the Unit is no longer subject to the Lease.

Dated: August 20, 2015

U.S. Bank National Association, successor to  
State Street Bank and Trust Company of  
Connecticut, N.A. not in its individual capacity,  
but solely as Owner Trustee

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Vice President

The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company,  
N.A., successor-in-interest to JPMorgan Chase  
Bank, N.A., successor-in-interest to Bank One,  
National Association, not in its individual  
capacity, but solely as Indenture Trustee

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Vice President

State of Commonwealth of Massachusetts )  
 ) SS:  
County of Suffolk )

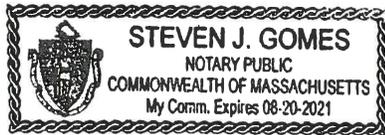
On the 1 day of September, 2015, before me personally appeared Alvin D. B. Nadeau, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, say that he/she is a Vice President of U.S. Bank, National Association, successor to State Street Bank and Trust Company of Connecticut, N.A., that said instrument was signed on such date on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he/she acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Notary Public

[Notarial Seal]

My commission expires:



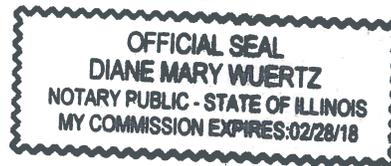
State of ~~Texas~~ ILLINOIS )  
 ) SS:  
County of ~~Harris~~ COOK )

On the 3rd day of September, 2015, before me personally appeared D. G. DONOVAN, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he/she is a VICE PRESIDENT of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., successor-in-interest to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., successor-in-interest to Bank One, National Association that said instrument was signed on such date on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he/she acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
Notary Public

[Notarial Seal]

My commission expires:



**CERTIFICATION**

I, Edward M. Luria, an attorney licensed to practice in the District of Columbia, the State of Delaware and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that I have compared the attached copy with the original thereof and have found the copy to be complete and identical in all respects to the original document.

Dated: September 8, 2015

*Edward M Luria*

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Edward M. Luria