



ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, States Marine Corporation ("States Marine") has, either directly or through its States Rail Services division, under or in connection with the States Rail Services Covered Hopper Car Management Program, 1978-1983 (the "Program"), entered into the following contracts: (1) a Management Agreement with each participant in the Program (except itself); (2) a Subcontractor Agreement with GW Rail Management Corp. ("GWIRM"); (3) two separate GWRR Agreements with Genesee and Wyoming Railroad Company "GWRR"; (4) a Shurtleff Lease with W. H. Shurtleff Co.; (5) a Fiscal Agency Agreement with The First National Bank of Boston (the "Bank") and each participant (except GW Leasing Corp. ("GWILC")) that has financed its purchase of railcars through a loan from the Bank; (6) an Agreement and Consent to Assignment with the Bank and GWILC; and (7) a Collection Agency Agreement with the Bank and GWRR (the contracts listed in (1)-(7) above being hereinafter collectively called the "Contracts"); and

WHEREAS, States Marine and BRAE Corporation ("BRAE") have agreed, subject to the consents contained at the foot hereof, that States Marine will assign to BRAE its rights and obligations as manager and fiscal agent under and in connection with the Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, it is hereby agreed as follows:

1. States Marine hereby sells, transfers, conveys, assigns and delivers to BRAE all of the Contracts and all of States Marine's rights, title and interest, as agent and in its individual capacity (except as railcar owner), in, to and under the Contracts from this day forward, with the exception of Section 5 of the Fiscal Agency Agreements.

2. BRAE hereby accepts the assignment contained in Paragraph 1 above and covenants with States Marine to assume and faithfully perform and discharge all the terms, conditions, duties, obligations and responsibilities to be performed and discharged by States Marine as agent or in its individual capacity (except as railcar owner) under the Contracts from this day forward, with the exception of Section 5 of the Fiscal Agency Agreements; it being understood by the parties hereto that BRAE shall have no liability for the performance prior to the date hereof by States Marine under the Contracts.

3. States Marine and BRAE hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless GWIRM, GWRR and the Bank and each of them from and against any and all claims, actions, judgments, settlements, damages, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees), losses or liabilities incurred by or asserted against GWIRM, GWRR and the Bank arising out of or in connection with the assignment of duties and obligations by States Marine hereunder.

4. It is expressly agreed and understood that as between States Marine and GWIRM, between States Marine and GWRR, between States Marine and the Bank and between States Marine and each of the participants in the Program, as such relationships appear in each of the several Contracts, that this assignment shall not constitute a novation of such Contracts but only a subcontracting of States Marine's rights and duties as agent or in its individual capacity (except as railcar owner) under such Contracts and that States Marine will at all times remain responsible, as assignor, to GWIRM, GWRR and the Bank for the due, prompt and punctual performance of its obligations thereunder.

5. This Assignment Agreement shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of New York.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, States Marine and BRAE have caused this Assignment Agreement to be duly executed as of this 6th day of August, 1979.

STATES MARINE CORPORATION

By: [Signature]  
Secretary

BRAE CORPORATION

By: [Signature]

We each hereby consent to this Assignment Agreement.

GWI RAILCAR MANAGEMENT CORP.

By: [Signature]

GENESEE AND WYOMING RAILROAD COMPANY

By: [Signature]

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BOSTON

By: [Signature]  
ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT

STATE OF *NEW YORK* )  
 ) ss.:  
COUNTY OF *NEW YORK* )

On this *30<sup>th</sup>* day of *JULY*, 1979, before me personally appeared *WILLIAM A. CRAIG JR.*, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the *Secretary* of States Marine Corporation and that the foregoing instrument was executed on behalf of States Marine Corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of States Marine Corporation.

*Rita Eileen Breslin*  
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Notary Public

My commission expires:  
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RITA EILEEN BRESLIN  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 24-5442310  
Qual. in Kings Co.-Cert. Filed in N.Y. Co.  
Commission Expires March 30, 1980

STATE OF *California* )  
 ) ss.:  
COUNTY OF *San Francisco* )

On this *6<sup>th</sup>* day of *August*, 1979, before me personally appeared *Donald H. Gleason*, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the *Vice President, Operations* of BRAE Corporation and that the foregoing instrument was executed on behalf of BRAE Corporation by authority of its Board of Directors or the Executive Committee, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of BRAE Corporation.

*Mirella R. Abbo*  
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Notary Public

My commission expires:  
*2/25/83*

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