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**ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE AND AGREEMENT** dated as of March 1, 1974 (hereinafter called "this Assignment"), by and between UNITED STATES TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, as Trustee (together with its successors and assigns being hereinafter called the Lessor or the Vendee) under a Trust Agreement dated as of December 27, 1973 (hereinafter called the Trust Agreement) with General Electric Credit and Leasing Corporation (hereinafter called the Beneficiary), and MERCANTILE-SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANY, as Agent under a Finance Agreement dated as of the date hereof (hereinafter called the Vendor).

WHEREAS, the Vendor, the Vendee and LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE RAILROAD COMPANY (hereinafter called the Guarantor) are entering into a conditional sale agreement dated as of the date hereof (hereinafter called the Security Documents) providing for the conditional sale to the Vendee of security title to the units of railroad equipment (hereinafter called the Units) described in the Annex A thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Lessor and the Guarantor have entered into a Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of December 27, 1973 and an Amendment Agreement dated as of the date hereof (such Lease, as amended by such Amendment Agreement, being hereinafter called the Lease), providing for the leasing by the Lessor to the Guarantor of the Units; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide security for the obligations of the Lessor under the Security Documents and as an inducement to the investors for which the Vendor is acting as agent to invest in the Conditional Sale Indebtedness (as that term is defined in the Security Documents), the Lessor has agreed to assign for security purposes its rights in, to and under the Lease to the Vendor;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the payments to be made and the covenants hereinafter mentioned to be kept and performed, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Subject to the provisions of Paragraph 11 hereof, the Lessor hereby assigns, transfers and sets over unto the Vendor, as collateral security for the payment and performance of the Lessor's obligations

under the Security Documents, all the Lessor's right, title and interest, powers, privileges, and other benefits under the Lease, including, without limitation, the immediate right to receive and collect all rentals, profits and other sums payable to or receivable by the Lessor from the Guarantor under or pursuant to the provisions of the Lease whether as rent, casualty payment, indemnity (except indemnity in respect of Federal income taxes pursuant to § 17 of the Lease), liquidated damages, or otherwise (such moneys being hereinafter called the Payments), and the right to make all waivers and agreements, to give all notices, consents and releases, to take all action upon the happening of an Event of Default specified in the Lease, and to do any and all other things whatsoever which the Lessor is or may become entitled to do under the Lease. In furtherance of the foregoing assignment, the Lessor hereby irrevocably authorizes and empowers the Vendor in its own name, or the name of its nominee, or in the name of the Lessor or as its attorney, to ask, demand, sue for, collect and receive any and all Payments to which the Lessor is or may become entitled under the Lease, and to enforce compliance by the Guarantor with all the terms and provisions thereof.

The Vendor agrees to accept any Payments made by the Guarantor for the account of the Lessor pursuant to the Lease. To the extent received, the Vendor will apply such Payments to satisfy the obligations of the Lessor under the Security Documents, subject to the limitations contained in the last paragraph of Article 4 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, and any balance shall be paid within two business days to and retained by the Beneficiary, at such address as it shall furnish the Vendor. If the Vendor shall not receive any rental payment under the first paragraph of Section 3 of the Lease when due, the Vendor shall promptly notify the Lessor and the Beneficiary at the addresses set forth in the Lease.

2. This Assignment is executed only as security and, therefore, the execution and delivery of this Assignment shall not subject the Vendor to, or transfer, or pass, or in any way affect or modify the liability of the Lessor under the Lease, it being understood and agreed that notwithstanding this Assignment or any subsequent assignment, all obligations of the Lessor to the Guarantor shall be and remain enforceable by the Guarantor, its successors and assigns, against, and only against, the

Lessor or persons other than the Vendor. As more fully set forth in Article 23 of the Security Documents, the representations, undertakings and agreements herein made on the part of the Vendee are each and every one of them made and intended for the purpose of binding only the Trust Estate as such term is used in the Trust Agreement, and the liability of the Vendee is limited in accordance with said Article 23.

3. To protect the security afforded by this Assignment the Lessor agrees as follows:

(a) The Lessor will faithfully abide by, perform and discharge each and every obligation, covenant and agreement which the Lease provides are to be performed by the Lessor; without the written consent of the Vendor, the Lessor will not anticipate the rents under the Lease or waive, excuse, condone, forgive or in any manner release or discharge the Guarantor thereunder of or from the obligations, covenants, conditions and agreements to be performed by the Guarantor, including, without limitation, the obligation to pay the rents in the manner and at the time and place specified therein or enter into any agreement amending, modifying or terminating the Lease and the Lessor agrees that any amendment, modification or termination thereof without such consent shall be void.

(b) At the Lessor's sole cost and expense, the Lessor will appear in and defend every action or proceeding arising under, growing out of or in any manner connected with the obligations, duties or liabilities of the Lessor under the Lease.

(c) Should the Lessor fail to make any payment or to do any act which this Assignment requires the Lessor to make or do, then the Vendor, but without obligation so to do, after first making written demand upon the Lessor and affording the Lessor a reasonable period of time within which to make such payment or do such act, but without releasing the Lessor from any obligation hereunder, may make or do the same in such manner and to such extent as the Vendor may deem necessary to protect the security hereof, including specifically, without limiting its general powers, the right to appear in and defend any action or proceeding purporting to affect the security hereof and the rights or powers of the Vendor, and also the right to perform and discharge each and every obligation, covenant and

agreement of the Lessor contained in the Lease; and in exercising any such powers, the Vendor may pay necessary costs and expenses, employ counsel and incur and pay reasonable attorneys' fees, and the Lessor will reimburse the Vendor for such costs, expenses and fees.

4. The Lessor does hereby constitute the Vendor the Lessor's true and lawful attorney, irrevocably, with full power (in the name of the Lessor, or otherwise), to ask, require, demand, receive, compound and give acquittance for any and all Payments due and to become due under or arising out of the Lease to which the Lessor is or may become entitled, to enforce compliance by the Guarantor with all the terms and provisions of the Lease, to endorse any checks or other instruments or orders in connection therewith and to file any claims or take any action or institute any proceedings which to the Vendor may seem to be necessary or advisable in the premises.

5. Upon the full discharge and satisfaction of all the Guarantor's and the Lessor's obligations under the Security Documents, this Assignment and all rights herein assigned to the Vendor shall terminate, and all estate, right, title and interest of the Vendor in and to the Lease shall revert to the Lessor. Upon such termination the Vendor will, at the expense of the Lessor, execute and deliver for filing, recording or depositing in all necessary public offices, such instrument or instruments in writing as may be necessary or appropriate in order to then make clear upon the public records the termination of this Assignment.

6. The Lessor will, on the first Closing Date (as defined in the Security Documents) furnish the Vendor with an opinion of counsel that this Assignment has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Lessor and is a legal and valid agreement binding on the Lessor.

7. The Lessor will, from time to time, do and perform any other act and will execute, acknowledge, deliver and file, register, deposit and record (and will refile, reregister, rerecord or redeposit whenever required) any and all further instruments required by law or reasonably requested by the Vendor in order to confirm or further assure the interests of the Vendor hereunder.

8. The Vendor may assign all or any of the rights assigned to it hereby or arising under the Lease, including, without limitation, the

right to receive any Payments due or to become due. In the event of any such assignment, any such subsequent or successive assignee or assignees shall, to the extent of such assignment, enjoy all the rights and privileges and be subject to all the obligations of the Vendor hereunder.

9. This Assignment shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, but the parties shall be entitled to all rights conferred by Section 20c of the Interstate Commerce Act.

10. The Lessor shall cause copies of all notices received in connection with the Lease and all payments hereunder to be promptly delivered or made to the Vendor at its address set forth in Article 22 of the Security Documents, or at such other address as the Vendor shall designate.

11. The Vendor hereby agrees with the Lessor that the Vendor will not, so long as no Event of Default under the Lease or event of default under the Security Documents has occurred and is then continuing, exercise or enforce, or seek to exercise or enforce, or avail itself of, any of the rights, powers, privileges, authorizations or benefits assigned and transferred by the Lessor to the Vendor by this Assignment, except the right to apply the Payments as provided in Paragraph 1 hereof.

12. As more fully set forth in Article 23 of the Security Documents, the representations, undertakings and agreements herein made on the part of the Lessor are made and intended for the purpose of binding only the Trust Estate as such term is used in the Trust Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be executed in their respective corporate names by officers thereunto duly authorized, and their respective corporate seals to be affixed and duly attested, all as of the date first above written.

UNITED STATES TRUST COMPANY OF  
NEW YORK, as Trustee,

By *Malcolm J. ...*  
Vice President

[CORPORATE SEAL]

Attest:

*Gene R. Scocca*  
Assistant Secretary

MERCANTILE-SAFE DEPOSIT AND  
TRUST COMPANY, as Agent,

By *[Signature]*  
Assistant Vice President

[CORPORATE SEAL]

Attest:

*[Signature]*  
Corporate Trust Officer

STATE OF NEW YORK }  
COUNTY OF NEW YORK } SS.:

On this /37<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1974, before me personally appeared **MALCOLM J. HOOD**, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, says that he is a Vice President of UNITED STATES TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, that one of the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said trust company, that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said trust company by authority of its Board of Directors and they acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said trust company.

[NOTARIAL SEAL]

*Thomas B. Zakrzewski*  
Notary Public  
THOMAS B. ZAKRZEWSKI  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 24-9820331  
Qualified in Kings County  
Certificate filed in New York County  
Commission Expires March 30, 1976

STATE OF MARYLAND }  
CITY OF BALTIMORE } SS.:

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1974, before me personally appeared **G. J. Johnston** to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, says that he is an Assistant Vice President of MERCANTILE-SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANY, that one of the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said trust company and that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said trust company by authority of its Board of Directors and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said trust company.

[NOTARIAL SEAL]

My Commission expires July 1, 1974

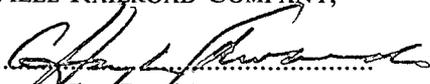
*Dorothy E. Scharf*  
Notary Public

DOROTHY E. SCHARF  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
My Commission Expires July 1, 1974

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT**

Receipt of a copy of, and due notice of the assignment made by, the foregoing Assignment of Lease and Agreement is hereby acknowledged as of March 1, 1974.

LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE RAILROAD COMPANY,

By *my*  Vice President,  
Secretary and Treasurer

