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AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT

Dated as of September 15, 1974

between

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION
(Electro-Motive Division)

and

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
as Agent

AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT dated as of September 15, 1974, between GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION (Electro-Motive Division), a Delaware corporation (hereinafter called the Builder), and WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, acting as Agent under a Finance Agreement dated as of the date hereof (hereinafter called the Finance Agreement), said Agent, so acting, being hereinafter called the Assignee.

WHEREAS the Builder, TRUST COMPANY FOR USL, INC., an Illinois trust company, as Trustee (hereinafter called the Vendee) under a Trust Agreement dated as of the date hereof (hereinafter called the Trust Agreement) with AMERICAN ROAD EQUITY CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (hereinafter called the Beneficiary), and BURLINGTON NORTHERN INC., a Delaware corporation (hereinafter called the Lessee), have entered into a Conditional Sale Agreement dated as of the date hereof (hereinafter called the Conditional Sale Agreement), covering the construction, sale and delivery, on the conditions therein set forth, by the Builder and the purchase by the Vendee of the railroad equipment described in Annex B to the Conditional Sale Agreement (said equipment being hereinafter called the Equipment);

WHEREAS the Vendee, and the Lessee have entered into a Lease of Railroad Equipment dated as of the date hereof (hereinafter called the Lease), providing for the lease to the Lessee of the Equipment described in Annex B of the Conditional Sale Agreement and of the units of equipment described in Annex B to the Other Agreement (as defined in the Conditional Sale Agreement);

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT (hereinafter called this Assignment) WITNESSETH: That, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar ($1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid by the Assignee to the Builder, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, as well as of the mutual covenants herein contained:

SECTION 1. The Builder hereby assigns, transfers, and sets over unto the Assignee, its successors and assigns:

(a) All the right, security title and interest of the Builder in and to each unit of the Equipment;

(b) All the right, title and interest of the Builder in and to the Conditional Sale Agreement (except the right to construct and deliver the Equipment and the right to receive the payments specified in the first paragraph and in subparagraph (a) of the third paragraph of Article 4 thereof and reimbursement for taxes paid or incurred by the Builder), and except as aforesaid in and to any and all amounts which may be or become due or owing to the Builder under the Conditional Sale Agreement on account of the indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price (as defined in the Conditional Sale Agreement) of the Equipment and interest thereon, and in and to any other sums becoming due from the Vendee or the Lessee under the Conditional Sale Agreement, other than those hereinabove excluded; and

(c) Except as limited by subparagraph (b) of this paragraph, all the Builder's rights, titles, powers, privileges and remedies under the Conditional Sale Agreement;

without any recourse hereunder, however, against the Builder for or on account of the failure of the Vendee or the Lessee to make any of the payments provided for in, or otherwise to comply with, any of the provisions of the Conditional Sale Agreement; *provided, however,* that this Assignment shall not subject the Assignee to, or transfer, or pass, or in any way affect or modify, the obligations of the Builder to deliver the Equipment in accordance with the Conditional Sale Agreement or with respect to its warranties and agreements contained in Article 14 of the Conditional Sale Agreement or relieve the Vendee from its obligations to the Builder contained in Articles 2, 3, 4, 6 and 14 of the Conditional Sale Agreement (provided that nothing in this clause shall limit the effect of Section 23 thereof) or relieve the Lessee of its obligations to the Builder contained in Article 15 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, it being understood and agreed that, notwithstanding this Assignment, or any subsequent assignment pursuant to the provisions of Article 15 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, all obligations of the Builder to the Vendee with respect to the Equipment shall be and remain enforceable by the Vendee, its successors and assigns, against and only against the Builder. In furtherance of the foregoing assignment and transfer, the Builder hereby authorizes and empowers the Assignee in the Assignee's own name, or in the name of the Assignee's nominee, or in the name of and as attorney, hereby irrevocably constituted, for the Builder, to ask, demand, sue

for, collect, receive and enforce any and all sums to which the Assignee is or may become entitled under this Assignment and compliance by the Vendee and the Lessee with the terms and agreements on their parts to be performed under the Conditional Sale Agreement, but at the expense and liability and for the sole benefit of the Assignee.

SECTION 2. The Builder agrees that it shall construct the Equipment in accordance with the Conditional Sale Agreement and will deliver the same upon completion to the Vendee in accordance with the provisions of the Conditional Sale Agreement; and that, notwithstanding this Assignment, it will perform and fully comply with each of and all the covenants and conditions of the Conditional Sale Agreement set forth to be performed and complied with by the Builder. The Builder further agrees that it will warrant to the Assignee and the Vendee that at the time of delivery of each unit of the Equipment under the Conditional Sale Agreement it had legal title to such unit and good and lawful right to sell such unit and that title to such unit was free of all claims, liens, security interests and other encumbrances of any nature except only the rights of the Vendee under the Conditional Sale Agreement and the rights of the Lessee under the Lease; and the Builder further agrees that it will defend the title to such unit against the demands of all persons whomsoever based on claims originating through the Builder; all *subject, however,* to the provisions of the Conditional Sale Agreement and the rights of the Vendee and the Lessee thereunder. The Builder will not deliver any of the Equipment to the Vendee under the Conditional Sale Agreement until the Conditional Sale Agreement and the Lease have been filed and recorded in accordance with Section 20c of the Interstate Commerce Act and have been deposited with the Registrar General of Canada pursuant to Section 86 of the Railway Act of Canada (the Builder and its counsel being entitled to rely on advice from special counsel for the Assignee that such filing and recordation have occurred).

SECTION 3. The Builder agrees with the Assignee that in any suit, proceeding or action brought by the Assignee under the Conditional Sale Agreement for any instalment of, or interest on, indebtedness in respect of the Purchase Price of the Equipment or to enforce any provision of the Conditional Sale Agreement, the Builder will indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Assignee from and against all expense, loss or damage suffered by reason of any defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment whatsoever

claimed by the Vendee or the Lessee arising out of a breach by the Builder of any obligation with respect to the Equipment or the manufacture, construction, delivery or warranty thereof, or by reason of any defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment whatsoever arising by reason of any other indebtedness or liability at any time owing to the Vendee or the Lessee by the Builder. The Builder's obligation so to indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Assignee is conditional upon (a) the Assignee's timely motion or other appropriate action, on the basis of Article 15 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, to strike any defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment asserted by the Vendee or the Lessee in any such suit, proceeding or action and (b) if the court or other body having jurisdiction in such suit, proceeding or action denies such motion or other action and accepts such defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment as a triable issue in such suit, proceeding or action, the Assignee's prompt notification to the Builder of the asserted defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment and the Assignee's giving the Builder the right, at the Builder's expense, to compromise, settle or defend against such defense, setoff, counterclaim or recoupment.

SECTION 4. Except in cases of articles or materials specified by the Lessee and not manufactured by the Builder and in cases of designs, systems, processes, formulae or combinations specified by the Lessee and not developed or purported to be developed by the Builder, the Builder agrees, except as otherwise specifically provided in Annex A to the Conditional Sale Agreement, to indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Assignee from and against any and all liability, claims, costs, charges and expenses, including royalty payments and counsel fees, in any manner imposed upon or accruing against the Assignee or its assigns because of the use in or about the construction or operation of any of the Equipment of any design, system, process, formula, combination, article or material which infringes or is claimed to infringe on any patent or other right. The Assignee will give prompt notice to the Builder of any claim actually known to the Assignee which is based upon any such alleged infringement and will give the Builder the right, at the Builder's expense, to compromise, settle or defend against such claim. The Builder agrees that any amounts payable to it by the Vendee or the Lessee with respect to the Equipment, whether pursuant to the Conditional Sale Agreement or otherwise, not hereby assigned to the Assignee, shall not be secured by any lien, charge or security interest upon the Equipment or any unit thereof.

SECTION 5. The Builder will cause to be plainly, distinctly, permanently and conspicuously marked on each side of each unit of the Equipment, at the time of delivery thereof to the Vendee, in letters not less than one inch in height, the following legend:

"WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
AGENT—SECURITY OWNER,
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA ,
LEASED FROM TRUST COMPANY FOR USL, INC.,
TRUSTEE—CONDITIONAL VENDEE"

SECTION 6. The Assignee, on each Closing Date fixed as provided in Article 4 of the Conditional Sale Agreement with respect to a Group (as defined in said Article 4) of the Equipment, shall pay to the Builder an amount equal to the portion of the Purchase Price thereof which, under the terms of said Article 4, is payable in instalments, provided that there shall have been delivered to the Assignee (with an executed counterpart to the Vendee), as provided in Article 15 of the Conditional Sale Agreement and at least five business days prior to such Closing Date, the following documents, in form and substance satisfactory to it and to its special counsel hereinafter mentioned, in such number of counterparts as may be reasonably requested by said special counsel:

(a) A bill of sale from the Builder to the Assignee transferring to the Assignee security title to the units of the Equipment in such Group, warranting to the Assignee and to the Vendee that, at the time of delivery of such units under the Conditional Sale Agreement, the Builder had legal title to such units and good and lawful right to sell such units and that title to such units was free of all claims, liens, security interests and other encumbrances of any nature except only the rights of the Vendee under the Conditional Sale Agreement and the rights of the Lessee under the Lease, and covenanting to defend the title to such units against the demands of all persons whomsoever based on claims originating through the Builder;

(b) A Certificate or Certificates of Delivery and Acceptance with respect to the units of the Equipment in such Group as contemplated by Article 3 of the Conditional Sale Agreement and §1 of the Lease;

(c) A certificate of an officer of the Lessee to the effect that none of the units of the Equipment was placed in the service of the Lessee or otherwise was used by the Lessee prior to delivery and acceptance of such units under the Conditional Sale Agreement and the Lease;

(d) An invoice of the Builder for the units of the Equipment in such Group accompanied by or having endorsed thereon a certification by the Vendee and the Lessee as to their approval thereof;

(e) An opinion of Messrs. Cravath, Swaine & Moore, who are acting as special counsel for the Assignee and the Investors named in the Finance Agreement, dated as of such Closing Date, stating that (i) the Finance Agreement, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by such Investors, has been duly authorized, executed and delivered and is a legal, valid and binding instrument, (ii) the Conditional Sale Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the respective parties thereto and is a legal, valid and binding instrument enforceable in accordance with its terms, (iii) this Assignment has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the respective parties thereto and is a legal, valid and binding instrument, (iv) the Assignee is vested with all the rights, titles, interests, powers and privileges of the Builder purported to be assigned to it by this Assignment, (v) security title to the units of the Equipment is validly vested in the Assignee and such units, at the time of delivery thereof to the Vendee under the Conditional Sale Agreement, were free from all claims, liens, security interests and other encumbrances (other than those created by the Conditional Sale Agreement and the rights of the Lessee under the Lease), (vi) no approval of the Interstate Commerce Commission or any other governmental authority is necessary for the valid execution and delivery of the Finance Agreement, the Conditional Sale Agreement or this Assignment, or if any such authority is necessary, it has been obtained, (vii) the Conditional Sale Agreement and this Assignment have been duly filed and recorded with the Interstate Commerce Commission in accordance with Section 20c of the Interstate Commerce Act and no other filing or recordation is necessary for the protection of the rights of the Assignee in any state of the United States of America or in the District of Columbia, (viii) registration of the Conditional Sale Agreement, this Assignment or the certificates of interest delivered pursuant to the Finance Agreement is not required

under the Securities Act of 1933 and qualification of an indenture with respect thereto is not required under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, and (ix) the opinions of counsel described under subparagraphs (f), (g) and (h) of this Section 6 are satisfactory to such firm and that the Assignee and the Investors (as such term is defined in the Finance Agreement dated the date hereof among the Assignee, the Lessee, and the parties named in Schedules A and B thereto) are justified in relying thereon; and such opinion shall also cover such other matters as may reasonably be requested by the Assignee or such Investors;

(f) An opinion of counsel for the Vendee or the Beneficiary, dated as of such Closing Date, stating that the Conditional Sale Agreement, the Lease and the assignment thereof to the Assignee have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Vendee and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the other parties thereto, are legal and valid instruments binding upon the Vendee and enforceable against the Vendee in accordance with their terms;

(g) An opinion of counsel for the Lessee, dated as of such Closing Date and addressed to the Vendee and the Assignee, to the effect set forth in clauses (i), (ii), (vi) and (vii) of subparagraph (e) of this Section 6, and to the effect that: (i) the Lessee is a corporation legally incorporated, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of its incorporation (specifying the same), with adequate corporate power to enter into the Conditional Sale Agreement and the Lease and to own its properties and to carry on its business as now conducted; (ii) assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the parties hereto, this Assignment is a legal, valid and binding instrument; and (iii) the Conditional Sale Agreement, this Assignment and the Lease (and any assignment thereof) have been duly deposited in the office of the Registrar General of Canada and appropriate provision has been made for notice of such deposit to be published in the *Canada Gazette,* all in accordance with Section 86 of the Railway Act of Canada;

(h) An opinion of counsel for the Builder, dated as of such Closing Date, to the effect set forth in clauses (iv) and (v) of subparagraph (e) of this Section 6 and stating that (i) the Builder is a duly organized and existing corporation in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation and has the power and authority to own its properties

and to carry on its business as now conducted, (ii) the Conditional Sale Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Builder and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the other parties thereto, is a legal and valid instrument binding upon the Builder and enforceable against the Builder in accordance with its terms, and (iii) this Assignment has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Builder and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the other parties thereto, is a legal and valid instrument binding upon the Builder; and

(i) A receipt from the Builder for any payment (other than the payment being made by the Assignee pursuant to the first paragraph of this Section 6) required to be made on such Closing Date to the Builder with respect to the Equipment, unless such payment is made by the Assignee with funds furnished to it for that purpose by the Vendee.

In giving the opinions specified in subparagraphs (e), (f), (g) and (h) of this Section 6, counsel may qualify any opinion to the effect that any agreement is a legal, valid and binding instrument enforceable in accordance with its terms by a general reference to limitations as to enforceability imposed by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally. In giving the opinion specified in said subparagraphs (e) and (g) of this Section 6, counsel may rely as to authorization, execution and delivery by the Builder of the documents executed by the Builder and title to the Equipment at the time of delivery thereof under the Conditional Sale Agreement, on the opinion of counsel for the Builder and in giving the opinion specified in subparagraph (e) of this Section 6, counsel may rely as to any matter governed by the law of any jurisdiction other than New York or the United States, on the opinions of counsel referred to in subparagraphs (f), (g) and (h) of this Section 6.

The obligation of the Assignee hereunder to make payment for any of the Equipment assigned hereunder is hereby expressly conditioned upon the Assignee having on deposit, pursuant to the terms of the Finance Agreement, sufficient funds available to make such payment and upon payment by the Vendee of the amount required to be paid by it pursuant to subparagraph (a) of the third paragraph of Article 4 of the Conditional Sale Agreement. The Assignee shall not be obligated to make any of the above-

mentioned payments at any time after the commencement of any proceedings specified in clause (c) or (d) of Article 16 of the Conditional Sale Agreement or if an event of default, or any event which with the lapse of time and/or demand provided for in the Conditional Sale Agreement would constitute an event of default, shall have occurred and be continuing under the Conditional Sale Agreement. In the event that the Assignee shall not make any such payment, the Assignee shall reassign to the Builder, without recourse to the Assignee, all right, title and interest of the Assignee in and to the units of the Equipment with respect to which payment has not been made by the Assignee.

SECTION 7. The Assignee may assign all or any of its rights under the Conditional Sale Agreement, including the right to receive any payments due or to become due to it from the Vendee or the Lessee thereunder. In the event of any such assignment, any such subsequent or successive assignee or assignees shall, to the extent of such assignment, and upon giving the written notice required in Article 15 of the Conditional Sale Agreement, enjoy all the rights and privileges and be subject to all the obligations of the Assignee hereunder.

SECTION 8. The Builder hereby:

(a) represents and warrants to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, that the Conditional Sale Agreement was duly authorized by it and lawfully executed and delivered by it for a valid consideration, that, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Vendee and the Lessee, the Conditional Sale Agreement is, in so far as the Builder is concerned, a legal, valid and existing agreement binding upon the Builder in accordance with its terms and that it is now in force without amendment thereto;

(b) agrees that it will from time to time and at all times, at the request of the Assignee or its successors or assigns, make, execute and deliver all such further instruments of assignment, transfer and assurance and do such further acts and things as may be necessary and appropriate in the premises to give effect to the provisions hereinabove set forth and more perfectly to confirm the rights, titles and interests hereby assigned and transferred to the Assignee or intended so to be; and

(c) agrees that, upon request of the Assignee, its successors and assigns, it will execute any and all instruments which may be necessary or proper in order to discharge of record the Conditional Sale Agreement or any other instrument evidencing any interest of the Builder therein or in the Equipment.

SECTION 9. The terms of this Assignment and all rights and obligations hereunder shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois, *provided, however,* that the parties shall be entitled to all the rights conferred by Section 20c of the Interstate Commerce Act, such additional rights arising out of the filing, recording or depositing of the Conditional Sale Agreement and this Assignment as shall be conferred by the laws of the several jurisdictions in which the Conditional Sale Agreement or this Assignment shall be filed, recorded or deposited, or in which any unit of the Equipment shall be located, and any rights arising out of the marking on the units of the Equipment.

SECTION 10. This Assignment may be executed in any number of counterparts, but the counterpart delivered to the Assignee shall be deemed to be the original counterpart. Although this Assignment is dated as of September 15, 1974, for convenience, the actual date or dates of execution hereof by the parties hereto is or are, respectively, the date or dates stated in the acknowledgments hereto annexed.

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

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION
(Electro-Motive Division),

by .....
Vice President

[CORPORATE SEAL]

Attest:

.....
Assistant Secretary

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Agent,

by .....
Trust Officer

ATTEST:

.....

STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF COOK } SS.:

On this 30TH day of October, 1974, before me personally appeared HAROLD L. SMITH, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, says that he is a Vice President of GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION (Electro-Motive Division), that one of the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said 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 said corporation.

Zula C. Clair
Notary Public

[NOTARIAL SEAL]

My Commission expires JULY 11, 1976

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

On this 31st day of October, 1974, before me personally appeared R. T. Dreiling, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, says that he is a Trust Officer of WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said association 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 association.

One of the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument is a corporate seal of said association, the

Charles S. De Palma
Notary Public

[NOTARIAL SEAL]

My Commission expires

CHARLES S. DE PALMA
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 31-5990695
Qualified in New York County
Commission Expires March 30, 1976

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

Receipt of a copy of, and due notice of the assignment made by, the foregoing Agreement and Assignment is hereby acknowledged as of September 15, 1974.

TRUST COMPANY FOR USL, INC.,
as Trustee,

By Ben Marshardt
~~Vice~~ *President*

BURLINGTON NORTHERN INC.

By Frank H. Cooper
Vice President