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March 20, 1981

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

Hon. Agatha L. Mergenovich  
Secretary  
Interstate Commerce Commission  
Washington, D. C. 20423

Re: Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company  
Equipment Trust, Series 18, Finance  
Docket No. 29591

No. 1-08281981  
MAR 23 1981  
Date.....  
Fee \$..... 50.00  
ICC Washington, D. C.

Dear Ms. Mergenovich:

Enclosed for recording with the Interstate Commerce Commission are counterparts of an Equipment Trust Agreement dated as of March 1, 1981 between The Merchants National Bank of Mobile and Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company.

A draft payable to the order of the Interstate Commerce Commission for the recording fee applicable to this filing is enclosed herewith. The name of the Trustee-Lessor is:

The Merchants National Bank of Mobile  
106 St. Francis Street  
Mobile, Alabama 36602

The name of the Lessee and Guarantor is:

Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company  
233 N. Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Applicant has applied for authority to assume obligation and liability as Lessee and Guarantor in respect of the certificates to be issued under this Equipment Trust. The proceeding has been assigned Finance Docket No. 29591 and a favorable order dated March 9, 1981 was issued with a service date of March 11, 1981.

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*Counterpart - J. M. Mergenovich*

The required description of the equipment covered by the Equipment Trust Agreement is attached hereto marked "Schedule A". The Agreement has not previously been recorded with the Interstate Commerce Commission.

It is respectfully requested that all counterparts not needed for the Commission's files be returned to the bearer of this letter with the Commission's recordation stamp shown thereon.

Very truly yours,

ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD  
COMPANY

By William H. Sanders  
William H. Sanders

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SCHEDULE A

<u>Number of Units</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Purchase Price per Unit</u>	<u>Total Purchase Price</u>
299	100-ton Covered Hopper Cars, 4750 cu. ft. capacity, manufactured by Pullman-Standard in February 1980, numbered ICG 767200- 767494, both inclusive, and 767496-767499, both inclusive	\$41,625.47	\$12,446,015.53
50	100-ton Airslide Covered Hopper Cars, 4180 cu. ft. capacity, manufac- tured by General American Transpor- tation Corp. in February 1980, numbered ICG 782700- 782749, both inclusive	51,174.14	2,558,707.00
<hr/> 349		Total	<hr/> \$15,004,722.53

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INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT TRUST

SERIES 18

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EQUIPMENT TRUST AGREEMENT

Dated as of March 1, 1981

Between

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF MOBILE,  
Trustee

And

ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD COMPANY

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EQUIPMENT TRUST AGREEMENT, dated as of March 1, 1981, between THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF MOBILE, a national banking association duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, as Trustee (hereinafter called the Trustee) and ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD COMPANY, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (hereinafter called the Railroad).

WHEREAS, the Railroad has agreed to cause to be sold, transferred and delivered to the Trustee the railroad equipment described herein; and

WHEREAS, title to such railroad equipment is to be vested in and is to be retained by the Trustee, and such railroad equipment is to be leased to the Railroad hereunder until title is transferred under the provisions hereof; and

WHEREAS, Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Equipment Trust Certificates, Series 18 (hereinafter called Trust Certificates), are to be issued and sold in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$15,000,000, and the net proceeds (as hereinafter defined) of such sale are to constitute a fund equal to the aggregate principal amount of Trust Certificates so issued and sold to be known as ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT TRUST, SERIES 18, to be applied by the Trustee from time to time in part payment of the purchase price of the Trust Equipment, the remainder of the purchase price thereof to be paid out of advance rentals to be paid by the Railroad as provided herein; and

WHEREAS, the texts of the Trust Certificates and the guaranty to be endorsed thereon by the Railroad are to be substantially in the following forms, respectively:

(FORM OF FULLY REGISTERED TRUST CERTIFICATES)

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No.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT TRUST,  
SERIES 18

EQUIPMENT TRUST CERTIFICATE

Total Authorized Issue \$15,000,000

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF MOBILE, Trustee

Dividends at the Rate of 14% Per Annum Payable  
March 1 and September 1

Principal hereof payable March 1, 19

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF MOBILE, as Trustee under an Equipment Trust Agreement dated as of March 1, 1981, between THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF MOBILE, Trustee (hereinafter called the Trustee), and ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD COMPANY (hereinafter called the Railroad), hereby certifies that

, or registered assigns, is entitled to an interest in the principal amount of \$ in ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT TRUST, SERIES 18, payable on the due date stated above (unless this Certificate shall be called for previous redemption and payment thereof duly provided for), upon presentation and surrender of this Certificate to the Trustee at its corporate trust office in Mobile, Alabama, or at the option of the person entitled thereto, at the office of the Railroad in the City of Chicago, Illinois, and to payment, until said last mentioned date, of dividends on said principal amount at the rate per annum specified in the heading hereof from the date hereof, payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 in each year, by check mailed by the Trustee to the order of such person, or registered assigns, at such person's, or assignee's, address as shown by the books of the Trustee, with interest at said dividend rate on any unpaid principal and on any unpaid dividends to the extent that it shall be legally enforceable, all in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts, but payable only out of rentals or other moneys received by the Trustee and applicable to such payment under the provisions of said Agreement.

This Certificate is one of an issue of Certificates of serial maturities, and having an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$15,000,000, all issued or to be issued under and subject to the terms of said Agreement, under which certain railroad equipment leased to the Railroad (or, in lieu thereof, cash or bonds, notes or other direct obligations of the United States of America or for which the faith of the United States is pledged to provide for the payment of interest and principal, as provided in said Agreement) is held by the Trustee in trust for the benefit of the holders of the interests represented by said Certificates, to which Agreement (a copy of which is on file with the Trustee at its corporate trust office in Mobile, Alabama) reference is made for a full statement of the rights and obligations of the Railroad, the duties and immunities of the Trustee and the rights of the holder hereof thereunder.

The Certificates are issuable as fully registered Certificates in denominations of not less than \$1,000.

As provided in said Agreement, this Certificate is redeemable at the option of the Railroad at any time after March 1, 1991 and before maturity, as a whole or in part, upon the giving of thirty days' written notice to the registered holder hereof at the address shown on the registry books of the Trustee and upon payment of the principal amount hereof which is to be redeemed and unpaid dividends accrued thereon to the date designated for redemption, plus premiums equal to the following percentages of the principal amount, namely:

<u>If redeemed during twelve</u> <u>month period beginning March 1,</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
1991	3.0
1992	2.5
1993	1.5
1994	.5

This Certificate is transferable by the registered holder hereof in person or by duly authorized attorney on the books of the Trustee upon surrender to the Trustee at its said office of this Certificate accompanied by a written instrument of transfer, duly executed by the registered holder in person or by such attorney, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, and thereupon a new Certificate or Certificates in authorized denominations for the same aggregate principal amount and having the same date of maturity will be issued to the transferee in exchange herefor and if less than the entire unpaid principal amount

hereof is transferred, a balance piece therefor will be issued to the transferor. The Trustee and the Railroad may treat the person in whose name this Certificate is registered as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of principal and dividends and for all other purposes, and shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary.

In case of default in the performance or observance of any of the covenants of the Railroad in said Agreement contained the principal amount represented by this Certificate may be declared due and payable, as provided in said Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Trustee has caused this Certificate to be signed by the signature of one of its \_\_\_\_\_ and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and to be attested by one of its \_\_\_\_\_.

Dated as of:

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF  
MOBILE, TRUSTEE,

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Its

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Its

(FORM OF GUARANTY FOR TRUST CERTIFICATES)

ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD COMPANY, for a valuable consideration, hereby unconditionally guarantees to the registered holder of the within Certificate the prompt payment of the principal of said Certificate and of the dividends thereon specified in said Certificate, with interest at the dividend rate on any unpaid principal and on any unpaid dividends to the extent that it shall be legally enforceable, all in accordance with the terms of said Certificate and the Equipment Trust Agreement referred to therein.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD COMPANY,

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Treasurer

WHEREAS, it is desired to secure to the holders of the Trust Certificates the payment of the principal thereof in thirteen annual installments, payable serially on March 1 in each year beginning March 1, 1983 and ending March 1, 1995, the amount of the installment for each year being as follows:

1983	\$ 200,000
1984	"
1985	500,000
1986	"
1987	"
1988	"
1989	1,800,000
1990	"
1991	"
1992	"
1993	"
1994	"
1995	"

as hereinafter more particularly provided, with dividends to said dates of maturity, respectively, as hereinafter provided, payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 in each year, and to evidence the rights of the holders of the Trust Certificates in substantially the form hereinbefore set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises herein contained, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I

##### Definitions

For all purposes of this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires:

Affiliate of the Railroad shall mean any corporation which directly or indirectly controls or is controlled by, or is under common control with, the Railroad. For the purposes of this definition, control (including controlled by and under common control with), as used with respect to any corporation, shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such corporation, whether through the ownership of voting securities or by contract or otherwise.

Cost, when used with respect to Equipment, shall mean the actual cost thereof, as evidenced by the manufacturer's

invoice or invoices with respect thereto, and shall include only such items as may properly be included in such cost under the Interstate Commerce Commission's Uniform System of Accounts for Railroad Companies, as in effect at the time in question, or the accounting rules of such other Federal governmental authority having jurisdiction over the accounts of the Railroad, or to the extent not determined thereby or in case there be no such accounting rules of the Interstate Commerce Commission or other Federal authority in effect at such time, sound accounting practice.

Deposited Cash shall mean the aggregate of (a) cash on deposit with the Trustee as provided in the first sentence of Section 2.1 hereof, (b) any advance rental on deposit with the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.4(A)(1) hereof, (c) any sums restored to Deposited Cash from rentals pursuant to Section 4.4(B)(1)(b) hereof and on deposit with the Trustee and (d) when required or indicated by the context, any Government Securities purchased by the use of Deposited Cash pursuant to the provisions of Section 7.8 hereof and held by the Trustee.

Equipment means standard-gauge railroad equipment, other than passenger equipment or work equipment of types other than locomotives, constructed or remanufactured to new specifications no earlier than January, 1980.

Fair Value of any unit of Equipment shall be deemed to be the lesser of the actual fair value of the Equipment or the Cost thereof less depreciation accrued thereon computed by the straight-line method at the rate of six and two-thirds percent of said Cost for each full year (but not pro rata for any part of a year) from March 1, 1981 to the date as of which the Fair Value is so to be determined.

Government Securities shall mean bonds, notes or other direct obligations of the United States of America or for which the faith of the United States is pledged to provide for the payment of the interest and principal.

The word holder, when used with respect to Trust Certificates, shall include the plural as well as the singular number and shall mean the registered owner of a Trust Certificate.

Officer's Certificate shall mean a certificate signed by the President, a Vice-President, the Treasurer or the Comptroller of the Railroad.

Opinion of Counsel shall mean an opinion of counsel (who may be counsel to the Railroad or other counsel satisfactory to the Trustee).

Owner shall mean the manufacturer or other person transferring title to any of the Equipment to the Trustee.

Purchase Price, when used with respect to Equipment, shall mean the purchase price to the Trustee, as evidenced by an invoice or invoices from the Owner or Owners of such Equipment.

Railroad shall mean Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company, its successors and assigns.

Replacement Value of each unit of Equipment shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the aggregate unpaid principal amount due with respect to the Trust Certificates multiplied by a fraction equal to one divided by the total number of units of Trust Equipment.

Request shall mean a written request for the action therein specified signed on behalf of the Railroad by the President or a Vice-President or the Treasurer or the Comptroller of the Railroad and delivered to the Trustee.

Trust Certificates shall mean Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Equipment Trust Certificates, Series 18, issued hereunder.

Trust Equipment shall mean all Equipment at the time subject to the terms of this Agreement.

Trustee shall mean The Merchants National Bank of Mobile, a national banking association duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, and any successor as trustee hereunder.

All references herein to Articles, Sections and other subdivisions refer to the corresponding Articles, Sections and other subdivisions of this Agreement; and the words herein, hereof, hereby, hereto, hereunder and words of similar import refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or subdivision hereof.

## ARTICLE II

### Trust Certificates and Issuance Thereof

Section 2.1. The net proceeds (excluding premium and accrued dividends, if any) of the sale of any of the Trust Certificates shall forthwith upon issuance thereof be

deposited in cash with the Trustee. The amount of such proceeds shall be specified in an Officer's Certificate delivered to the Trustee concurrently with such deposit. At the same time the Railroad shall, if necessary, deposit with the Trustee any advance rental payable by the Railroad to the Trustee under Section 4.4(A)(1) hereof. Thereupon, without waiting for the recording or filing of this Agreement or of any other instrument respecting the Trust Equipment, the Trustee shall issue and deliver, as the Railroad shall direct by Request, Trust Certificates substantially in the form set forth herein, and in the aggregate principal amount so sold. Any premium and accrued dividends received upon the sale of the Trust Certificates shall forthwith be paid to the Railroad.

Section 2.2. Each of the Trust Certificates shall represent an interest in the principal amount therein specified in the trust created hereunder and shall bear dividends on said principal amount at the rate per annum specified in the Request delivered pursuant to Section 2.1 hereof, payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 in each year.

The aggregate principal amount of Trust Certificates which shall be executed and delivered by the Trustee hereunder shall not exceed the sum of \$15,000,000, except as provided in Sections 2.5 and 2.6 hereof. The due date of each Trust Certificate shall appear upon its face, together with such numbers, descriptions or identifications as the Trustee may determine.

The principal amount of the Trust Certificates shall become due in 13 annual installments payable serially on March 1 in each year beginning March 1, 1983, and ending March 1, 1995, the amount of the installment for each year being as follows:

1983	\$ 200,000
1984	"
1985	500,000
1986	"
1987	"
1988	"
1989	1,800,000
1990	"
1991	"
1992	"
1993	"
1994	"
1995	"

Section 2.3. The Trust Certificates and the guaranty to be endorsed on the Trust Certificates by the Railroad as provided in Section 6.2 hereof shall be in substantially the forms hereinbefore set forth.

Section 2.4. The Trust Certificates shall be signed in the name and on behalf of the Trustee by the signature of one of its duly authorized officers and its corporate seal shall be attested by a duly authorized officer. In case any officer of the Trustee whose signature shall appear on any of the Trust Certificates shall cease to be such officer of the Trustee before such Trust Certificates shall have been issued and delivered by the Trustee, such Trust Certificates shall be adopted by the Trustee and be issued and delivered as though such person had not ceased to be such officer of the Trustee.

Section 2.5. The Trust Certificates shall be issued in denominations of not less than \$1,000 and shall be registered, as to both principal and dividends, in the name of the holder; shall be transferable upon presentation and surrender thereof for transfer at the corporate trust office of the Trustee in Mobile, Alabama, accompanied by appropriate instruments of assignment and transfer, duly executed by the registered holder of the surrendered Trust Certificate or Certificates or by duly authorized attorney, in form satisfactory to the Trustee; and shall be dated as of March 1, 1981, or, if issued on or after September 1, 1981, as of the dividend payment date next preceding the date of issue, unless issued on a dividend payment date, in which event they shall be dated as of the date of issue, or unless issued in exchange for another Trust Certificate or Certificates bearing unpaid dividends from an earlier date, in which case they shall be dated as of such earlier date, and in any case shall entitle the registered holder to dividends from the date thereof.

Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, the parties hereto may deem and treat the registered holder of any Trust Certificate as the absolute owner of such Trust Certificate for all purposes and shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary.

For any exchange, registration or transfer the Trustee shall require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover reimbursement for any stamp tax or other governmental charge connected therewith.

Each Trust Certificate delivered, pursuant to any provision of this Agreement, in exchange or substitution for, or upon the transfer of, the whole or any part of one or more other Trust Certificates shall carry all the rights to dividends accrued and unpaid, and to accrue, which were carried by the whole or such part of such one or more other Trust Certificates, and, notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement, such Trust Certificate shall be so dated that neither gain nor loss in dividends shall result from such exchange, substitution or transfer.

The Trustee shall not be required to issue, register, transfer or exchange Trust Certificates for a period of ten days next preceding any dividend payment date.

Section 2.6. In case any Trust Certificate shall become mutilated or defaced or be lost, stolen or destroyed, then on the terms herein set forth, and not otherwise, the Trustee, upon Request, (a) shall execute and deliver a new Trust Certificate, and the Railroad shall execute its guaranty thereon, of like maturity, tenor and date as the one mutilated, defaced, lost, stolen or destroyed, in exchange and substitution for, and upon cancellation of, the mutilated or defaced Trust Certificate, or in lieu of or in substitution for the same if lost, stolen, or destroyed and (b) shall make payment of any matured and unpaid Trust Certificate. The applicant for a new Trust Certificate or for such payment shall furnish to the Trustee and to the Railroad evidence to their satisfaction of the mutilation, defacement, loss, theft or destruction of such Trust Certificate alleged to have been mutilated, defaced, lost, stolen or destroyed, and of the ownership and authenticity of such mutilated, defaced, lost, stolen or destroyed Trust Certificate, and also such security and indemnity as may be required by the Trustee and by the Railroad, in their discretion; and shall pay all expenses and charges of such substitution or exchange. All Trust Certificates shall be issued, held and owned upon the express condition that the foregoing provisions are exclusive in respect of the replacement of mutilated, defaced, lost, stolen or destroyed Trust Certificates, and shall preclude any and all other rights and remedies, any law or statute now existing or hereafter enacted to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 2.7. The Railroad hereby agrees to pay the principal from time to time becoming payable on any of the Trust Certificates which shall be presented for the purpose

of such payment at the office of the Railroad in Chicago, Illinois. The Trustee will reimburse the Railroad on its Request upon receipt of satisfactory evidence of payment, for any payments so made out of the rent received by the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.4(B)(4) hereof.

Section 2.8. The Trust Certificates shall be redeemable at the option of the Railroad at any time after March 1, 1991 and before maturity, in inverse order of maturity, as a whole or in part by lot, upon notice given as hereinafter provided, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof and unpaid dividends accrued thereon to the date designated for redemption, plus premiums equal to the following percentages of the principal amount, namely:

<u>If redeemed during twelve</u> <u>months' period beginning March 1,</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
1991	3.0
1992	2.5
1993	1.5
1994	.5

Whenever less than all of the Trust Certificates of a particular maturity are to be redeemed, the Trustee shall draw by lot, in any manner deemed by the Trustee to be fair, the distinguishing numbers of a principal amount of certificates of such maturity equal to the principal amount to be redeemed and shall notify the Railroad of the numbers of the Certificates so drawn.

Written notice of not less than thirty days of the redemption of Trust Certificates shall be given by the Railroad to each registered holder thereof at his address as it appears on the registry books of the Trustee provided for in Section 7.3 hereof. The notice shall specify the numbers of the Trust Certificates to be redeemed and the redemption price thereof, shall state that dividends on such Certificate will cease to accrue on and after the date designated for redemption, and shall direct that the Certificates specified in the notice be presented for payment at the place designated in the notice.

ARTICLE III

Acquisition of Trust Equipment by Trustee;  
Deposited Cash

Section 3.1. The Railroad, as speedily as may be, shall cause to be sold, assigned, transferred and set over unto the Trustee as trustee for the holders of the Trust Certificates, all the Equipment described in Schedule A hereto, all of which the Railroad represents and warrants is Equipment as herein defined.

Such Equipment shall be delivered to the Railroad, which is hereby designated by the Trustee as its agent to receive such delivery, and an Officer's Certificate as to such delivery shall be conclusive evidence of such delivery.

In the event that it may be deemed necessary or desirable to procure for the transportation services of the Railroad, and to include in the trust hereby created, other Equipment in lieu of any of the Equipment specifically described herein, the Railroad may cause such other Equipment to be sold, assigned, transferred and set over to the Trustee, to be substituted under the trust.

Section 3.2. From time to time, when and as any of the Equipment referred to in Section 3.1 hereof shall have been delivered to the Trustee or its agent, the Trustee shall (subject to the provisions of Sections 3.3 and 3.4 hereof) pay, upon Request, to the Owner or Owners of the delivered Equipment out of Deposited Cash then held by the Trustee an amount which, together with all payments previously made out of Deposited Cash upon deliveries of Equipment, will equal 100% of the lesser of the Fair Value or the Purchase Price thereof not to exceed \$15,000,000, as specified in the Officer's Certificate furnished to the Trustee pursuant to Section 3.4(a) hereof.

Section 3.3. The Railroad covenants that, contemporaneously with any payment by the Trustee pursuant to Section 3.2 hereof, it will either (a) pay to the Trustee the advance rental provided in Section 4.4(A)(2) hereof, and thereupon the Trustee shall, upon Request, pay to the Owner or Owners of the delivered Equipment, by the use of such advance rental, the portion of the Purchase Price of the delivered Equipment not paid out of Deposited Cash as provided for in Section 3.2 hereof or (b) deliver to the

Trustee an executed counterpart of a receipt from such Owner or Owners evidencing the direct payment by the Railroad to such Owner or Owners of that portion of the Purchase Price of such Equipment equal to the amount of advance rental required to be paid to the Trustee pursuant to clause (a) of this sentence in respect of such Equipment. It is the intention of this Section 3.3 that the Trustee shall ultimately pay not more than 100% of the lesser of the Purchase Price or Fair Value of all Trust Equipment not to exceed \$15,000,000, and the Trustee and the Railroad shall at any time if occasion arises adjust their accounts and payments to the end that the Trustee shall pay with Deposited Cash not more than 100% of the lesser of the Purchase Price or Fair Value thereof, not to exceed \$15,000,000, and the Railroad shall pay as advance rental, either to the Trustee or directly to the Owner or Owners of the Trust Equipment, the remainder.

Section 3.4. The Trustee shall not pay out any Deposited Cash against the delivery of any of the Equipment unless and until it shall have received:

(a) An Officer's Certificate stating that (i) such Equipment is Equipment as herein defined, (ii) the Equipment described and specified therein by number or numbers has been delivered to the Railroad, as agent for the Trustee, (iii) the Cost of each unit of such Equipment is an amount therein specified as evidenced by copies of an invoice or invoices from the manufacturer or manufacturers of such Equipment or is not less than an amount therein specified, (iv) each unit of such Equipment was first put into service on or not earlier than a date therein specified, (v) the Purchase Price of such Equipment is an amount therein specified as evidenced by copies of an invoice or invoices from the Owner or Owners of such Equipment and (vi) the Fair Value of such Equipment is an amount therein specified;

(b) A bill or bills of sale of such Equipment from the Owner or Owners to the Trustee, which bill or bills of sale shall contain a warranty or guaranty to the Trustee that the title to the Equipment described therein is free from all liens, security interests and encumbrances;

(c) An Opinion of Counsel that such bill or bills of sale are valid and effective, either alone or in connection with any other instrument referred to in such opinion, to vest in the Trustee title to such Equipment

free from all liens, security interests and encumbrances; and

(d) In case of any Equipment not specifically described herein, an Opinion of Counsel that a proper supplement hereto in respect of such Equipment has been duly executed by the Trustee and the Railroad and duly filed and recorded in accordance with Section 6.4 hereof.

If the aggregate Fair Value or Purchase Price, whichever is less, of the Trust Equipment shall be less than 100% of the aggregate principal amount of Trust Certificates issued pursuant to Section 2.1 hereof, the Railroad will cause to be transferred to the Trustee, pursuant to a proper supplement hereto, additional Equipment in such amount and of such Fair Value or Purchase Price, whichever is less, that the aggregate final Fair Value or Purchase Price, whichever is less, of the Trust Equipment will be at least 100% of the aggregate principal amount of Trust Certificates issued hereunder, and will concurrently deliver to the Trustee the documents specified in this Section 3.4.

If the aggregate Fair Value or Purchase Price, whichever is less, of the Trust Equipment shall be less than \$15,000,000, the Railroad may, at its option, in lieu of causing to be vested in the Trustee the title to additional Equipment pursuant to the last preceding paragraph, pay to the Trustee, 60 days after the aggregate Fair Value or Purchase Price, whichever is less, of the Trust Equipment shall have been finally determined, an amount in cash equal to the amount by which the excess of (a) \$15,000,000 over (b) the aggregate Fair Value or Purchase Price, whichever is less, of the Trust Equipment theretofore delivered to the Trustee exceeds the amount of Deposited Cash held by the Trustee immediately prior to such payment. Any amount so paid, together with any Deposited Cash held by the Trustee at the time of such payment, shall be held and applied as provided in Section 4.9 hereof.

Section 3.5. Interest, if any, allowed by the Trustee upon any moneys received by it under the provisions hereof and any interest (in excess of accrued interest paid from Deposited Cash at the time of purchase) or other profit accruing upon any investment of Deposited Cash as permitted by Section 7.8 hereof shall belong to the Railroad and be paid to it by the Trustee, as long as the Railroad shall not be known to the Trustee to be in default hereunder.

ARTICLE IV

LEASE OF TRUST EQUIPMENT TO THE RAILROAD

Section 4.1. The Trustee does hereby let and lease all the Trust Equipment to the Railroad, for the term of 14 years from and after March 1, 1981.

Section 4.2. In the event that the Railroad shall, as provided in Sections 3.1, 3.4 and 4.9 hereof, cause to be transferred to the Trustee other Equipment in addition to or in substitution for any of the Equipment herein specifically described, such other Equipment shall be included as part of the Trust Equipment by supplement hereto and shall be subject to all the terms and conditions hereof in all respects as though it had been part of the Trust Equipment herein specifically described.

Section 4.3. As and when any Equipment shall from time to time be transferred and delivered to the Railroad as agent for the Trustee, the same shall, ipso facto and without further instrument of lease or transfer, pass under and become subject to all the terms and provisions hereof.

Section 4.4. The Railroad hereby accepts the lease of all the Trust Equipment, and covenants and agrees to accept delivery and possession hereunder of the Trust Equipment as hereinbefore provided; and the Railroad covenants and agrees to pay to the Trustee (or, in the case of taxes, to the proper taxing authority), in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts, rent which shall be sufficient to pay and discharge the following items, when and as the same shall become due and payable (whether or not any of such items shall become due and payable prior to the delivery and lease to the Railroad of any of the Trust Equipment):

(A) The Railroad shall pay, as hereinafter provided, as advance rental hereunder, sums which in the aggregate shall be equal to the difference between the aggregate Purchase Price of the Trust Equipment (other than Trust Equipment subjected hereto pursuant to Section 4.9 hereof) and the portion thereof to be provided out of the net proceeds (excluding premium and accrued dividends, if any) of the sale of the Trust Certificates, the intention being that, when all such Trust Equipment shall have been delivered to the Railroad as agent for the Trustee, the Railroad shall have paid or shall pay, as advance rental hereunder, a sum equal to the amount by which the aggregate

Purchase Price of such Trust Equipment exceeds such net proceeds of the sale of the Trust Certificates. The Railroad agrees to pay such advance rental as follows:

(1) At the time of issue of the Trust Certificates, the Railroad shall pay to the Trustee a sum which, when added to such net proceeds of the sale of the Trust Certificates deposited with the Trustee, will make the total sum deposited equal to the principal amount of the Trust Certificates issued;

(2) Upon delivery of any of such Trust Equipment, the Railroad shall pay either to the Trustee or directly to the Owner or Owners of the Trust Equipment a sum equal to the portion of the Purchase Price of such delivered Trust Equipment not paid out of Deposited Cash as provided for in Section 3.2 hereof.

(B) In addition to such advance rental the Railroad shall pay to the Trustee, as hereinafter provided, as rental for the Trust Equipment, and whether or not at the time any thereof shall have been delivered to the Railroad, the following:

(1) (a) The necessary and reasonable expenses of the trust hereby created, including compensation and expenses provided for herein, and (b) an amount equal to any expenses incurred or loss of principal (including interest accrued thereupon at time of purchase) in connection with any purchase, sale or redemption by the Trustee of Government Securities;

(2) Any and all taxes, assessments and governmental charges upon or on account of the income or property of the trust, or of this Agreement, which the Trustee as such may be required to pay;

(3) (a) The amounts of the dividends payable on the Trust Certificates, when and as the same shall become payable, and (b) interest at the dividend rate from the due date, upon the amount of any installments of rental payable under this subparagraph (3) and the following subparagraph (4) which shall not be paid when due, to the extent legally enforceable; and

(4) The principal of the Trust Certificates, when and as the same shall become payable, whether upon the respective stated dates of maturity thereof or otherwise under the provisions thereof or of this Agreement.

Nothing herein or in the Trust Certificates contained shall be deemed to impose on the Trustee or on the Railroad any obligation to pay to the holder of any Trust Certificate any tax, assessment or governmental charge required by any present or future law of the United States of America or of any state, county, municipality or other taxing authority thereof to be paid in behalf of, or withheld from the amount payable to, the holder of any Trust Certificate. The Railroad shall not be required to pay any tax, assessment or governmental charge so long as it shall in good faith and by appropriate legal proceedings contest the validity thereof, unless in the judgment of the Trustee the rights or interests of the Trustee or of the holders of the Trust Certificates may be materially endangered thereby.

Section 4.5. At the termination of the lease provided herein and after all payments due or to become due from the Railroad hereunder shall have been completed and fully made to the Trustee, (1) such payments shall be applied and treated as purchase money and as the full purchase price of the Trust Equipment, (2) any moneys remaining in the hands of the Trustee after providing for all outstanding Trust Certificates and after paying the expenses of the Trustee, including its reasonable compensation, shall be paid to the Railroad, (3) title to all the Trust Equipment shall vest in the Railroad, and (4) the Trustee shall execute for record in public offices, at the expense of the Railroad, such instrument or instruments in writing as reasonably shall be requested by the Railroad in order to make clear upon public records the title of the Railroad to all the Trust Equipment under the laws of any jurisdiction; provided, however, that until that time title to the Trust Equipment shall not pass to or vest in the Railroad, but title to and ownership of all the Trust Equipment shall be and remain in the Trustee, notwithstanding the delivery of the Trust Equipment to and the possession and use thereof by the Railroad.

Section 4.6. The Railroad agrees that as soon as reasonably practicable after the delivery to the Railroad of each unit of the Trust Equipment, there shall be plainly, distinctly, permanently and conspicuously placed and fastened upon each side of such unit a metal plate bearing the following words or such words shall be otherwise plainly, distinctly, permanently and conspicuously marked on

each side of such unit, in either case in letters not less than one-half inch in height:

"OWNED BY A BANK OR TRUST COMPANY UNDER A SECURITY AGREEMENT FILED UNDER THE REVISED INTERSTATE COMMERCE ACT, SECTION 11303."

Such plates or marks shall be such as to be readily visible and as to indicate plainly the Trustee's ownership of each unit of the Trust Equipment. In case, prior to the termination of the lease provided for herein, any of such plates or marks shall at any time be removed, defaced or destroyed, the Railroad shall as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter cause the same to be restored or replaced. The Railroad shall not change or permit to be changed, the numbers of any of the Trust Equipment at any time covered hereby (or any numbers which may have been substituted as herein provided) except in accordance with a statement of new numbers to be substituted therefor which previously shall have been filed by the Railroad with the Trustee and filed and recorded with the Interstate Commerce Commission in accordance with 49 U.S.C. Section 11303.

The Trust Equipment may be lettered "Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company," "Illinois Central Gulf," "I.C.G.," or with the name or initials of any Affiliate which, as hereinafter provided, is permitted to use the Trust Equipment, or in some other appropriate manner, for convenience of identification of the leasehold interest of the Railroad therein. During the continuance of the lease provided for herein, the Railroad shall not allow the name of any person, association or corporation to be placed on any of the Trust Equipment as a designation which might be interpreted as a claim of ownership thereof by the Railroad or by any person, association or corporation other than the Trustee.

Section 4.7. The Railroad agrees that it will maintain and keep all the Trust Equipment in good order and proper repair at its own cost and expense, unless and until worn out, unsuitable for use, lost or destroyed. Whenever any of the Trust Equipment shall be worn out, lost or destroyed or become unsuitable for use, the Railroad shall forthwith deliver to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate describing such Trust Equipment and stating the then Replacement Value thereof and shall deposit with the Trustee an amount in cash equal to such Replacement Value. The rights and remedies of the Trustee to enforce or to recover any of the rental payments shall not be affected by reason of such wearing out, unsuitableness for use, loss or destruction. Cash deposited with the Trustee pursuant to this Section 4.7 shall be held and applied as provided in Section 4.9 hereof.

The Railroad covenants and agrees to furnish to the Trustee, whenever required by the Trustee, and at least once in every calendar year following the calendar year in which occurs the first delivery of any of the Trust Equipment and during the continuance of the lease provided for herein, an Officer's Certificate stating (1) the amount, description and numbers of the Trust Equipment then covered hereby and showing the Trust Equipment then in actual service, (2) the amount, description and numbers of all that may have become worn out, or that may have become unsuitable for use or lost or destroyed by accident or otherwise since the date of the last preceding statement, and (3) the amount, description and numbers of all then undergoing repairs, other than running repairs, or then withdrawn from use for such repairs, and stating that in the case of all Trust Equipment repainted or repaired since the date of the last preceding statement the plates or marks required by Section 4.6 hereof have been preserved, or that the same when repainted or repaired have been again plated or marked as required thereby. The Trustee, by its agents, shall have the right once in each calendar year, but shall be under no duty, to inspect, at the expense of the Railroad, the Trust Equipment, and the Railroad covenants in that event to furnish to the Trustee all reasonable facilities for the making of such inspection.

Section 4.8. The Railroad, so long as it is not in default hereunder, shall be entitled to the possession of the Trust Equipment from and after delivery thereof to the Railroad, and the use thereof upon the lines of railroad owned or operated by the Railroad (either alone or jointly with another) or by any Affiliate, or upon lines over which the Railroad or any Affiliate shall have trackage or other operating rights, and the Railroad shall also be entitled to permit the use of the Trust Equipment upon other carriers in the usual interchange of traffic and upon other carriers over which service may from time to time be afforded, but only upon and subject to all the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

The Railroad shall not, without first obtaining the written consent of the Trustee, assign or transfer its rights hereunder, or transfer or sublet the Trust Equipment or any part thereof except to an Affiliate; and the Railroad shall not, without such written consent, except as provided in this Section 4.8, part with the possession of, or suffer or allow to pass out of its possession or control, any of the Trust Equipment. An assignment or transfer to a railroad company or other purchaser which shall acquire all or substantially all the lines of railroad of the Railroad, and which, by execution of an appropriate instrument

satisfactory to the Trustee, shall assume and agree to perform each of and all the obligations and covenants of the Railroad hereunder and under the guaranty endorsed on the Trust Certificates, shall not be deemed a breach of this covenant. The appointment of a receiver or receivers in equity or reorganization or a trustee or trustees in bankruptcy or reorganization for the Railroad or for its property shall be deemed an unauthorized assignment unless, prior to any action by the Trustee to exercise the remedies herein provided, such receiver or receivers or trustee or trustees shall be discharged or such receiver or receivers or trustee or trustees shall, pursuant to court order or decree, in writing duly assume and agree to pay or perform each of and all the obligations and covenants of the Railroad hereunder and under the guaranty endorsed on the Trust Certificates, in such manner that such obligations shall have the same status as obligations incurred by such receiver or receivers or trustee or trustees. The Trustee shall have the right to declare the lease provided for herein terminated in case of any unauthorized assignment or transfer of its rights hereunder or in case of any unauthorized transfer or sublease of any of the Trust Equipment. The election of the Trustee to terminate the lease provided for herein shall have the same effect as the retaking of the Trust Equipment by the Trustee as hereinafter provided.

Section 4.9. Any units of the Trust Equipment which shall have become worn out or unsuitable in any respect for the use of the Railroad may be released, and it is hereby mutually agreed that at any time hereafter until title thereto shall become vested in the Railroad the Trustee will release any such units of the Trust Equipment upon the filing with it of a Request and an Officer's Certificate which shall describe such units, shall state the date when each of such units was first put into service, shall state that such units have become worn out or unsuitable for the use of the Railroad, shall state the selling price thereof, and shall specify the then Replacement Value thereof. No such release shall be made unless and until the Railroad shall have paid to the Trustee an amount equal to such selling price or Replacement Value, whichever shall be greater.

Any moneys paid to the Trustee pursuant to this Section 4.9 or Section 4.7 hereof or the last paragraph of Section 3.4 hereof (all of such moneys being herein called Replacement Funds) shall be received and held by the Trustee in trust hereunder pending delivery of additional Equipment. Upon the filing with it of a Request and an Officer's Certificate which shall specify the kind and number of units of Equipment to be purchased, such moneys shall, upon receipt by the Trustee of certificates, bills of sale and

Opinions of Counsel, all in like manner as is provided in Section 3.4 hereof, be applied by the Trustee to the purchase of such Equipment at the Fair Value or Purchase Price thereof, whichever is less.

Section 4.10. The Railroad covenants and agrees to indemnify the Trustee against any and all claims arising out of or connected with the ownership or use of any of the Trust Equipment, and particularly against any and all claims arising out of the use of any patented inventions in and about the Trust Equipment, and to comply in all respects with the laws of the United States of America and of all the states and other jurisdictions in which the Trust Equipment, or any thereof, may be operated, and with all lawful acts, rules, regulations and orders of the Department of Transportation, the Interstate Commerce Commission and all other commissions, boards and other legislative, executive, administrative or judicial bodies or officers having power to regulate or supervise any of the Trust Equipment, including without limitation all lawful acts, rules, regulations and orders of any body having competent jurisdiction relating to automatic coupler devices or attachments, air brakes or other appliances; provided, however, that the Railroad may in good faith contest the validity of any such law, act, rule, regulation or order, or the application thereof to the Trust Equipment or any part thereof, in any reasonable manner which will not in the judgment of the Trustee materially endanger the rights or interests of the Trustee or of the holders of the Trust Certificates. The Railroad shall not be relieved from any of its obligations hereunder by reason of the assertion or enforcement of any such claims or the commencement or prosecution of any litigation in respect thereof.

Section 4.11. The Railroad covenants and agrees to keep all of the Trust Equipment insured in the same amounts and against the same risks as the Railroad insures its other Equipment that is not subject to this Agreement.

## ARTICLE V

### EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

Section 5.1. The Railroad covenants and agrees that in case

(a) the Railroad shall default in the payment of any part of the rental payable hereunder (including advance rental) for more than 10 days after the same shall have become due and payable, or

(b) the Railroad shall make or suffer any unauthorized assignment or transfer of its rights

hereunder or shall make any unauthorized transfer or sublease of (including, for the purpose of this clause, any contract for the use of) any of the Trust Equipment (as provided in Section 4.8 hereof or otherwise) or, except as herein authorized, shall part with the possession of any of the Trust Equipment, and shall fail or refuse either to cause such assignment or transfer or sublease to be canceled by agreement of all parties having any interest therein and recover possession of such Trust Equipment within 30 days after the Trustee shall have demanded in writing such cancellation and recovery of possession, or within said 30 days to deposit with the Trustee a sum in cash equal to the Replacement Value, as of the date of such unauthorized action, of the Trust Equipment so assigned or transferred or subleased or the possession of which shall have been parted with otherwise than as herein authorized (any sum so deposited to be returned to the Railroad upon the cancellation of such assignment, transfer or sublease and the recovery of possession by the Railroad of such Trust Equipment), or

(c) the Railroad shall, for more than 60 days after the Trustee shall have demanded in writing performance thereof, fail or refuse to comply with any other of the terms and covenants hereof on its part to be kept and performed, or to make provision satisfactory to the Trustee for such compliance, or

(d) the lease provided for herein shall be terminated by operation of law or pursuant to the last paragraph of Section 4.8 hereof,

then, in any such case (herein sometimes called an event of default), the Trustee in its discretion may, and upon the written request of the holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Trust Certificates shall, by notice in writing delivered to the Railroad, declare to be due and payable forthwith the entire amount of the rentals (including any unpaid advance rental, but not including rentals required for the payment of dividends accruing after the date of such declaration) payable by the Railroad as set forth in Section 4.4 hereof and not theretofore paid. Thereupon the entire amount of such rentals shall forthwith become and shall be due and payable immediately without further demand, together with interest at the dividend rate, to the extent legally enforceable, on any portion thereof overdue; and the Trustee shall be entitled to recover judgment for the total amount so becoming payable by the Railroad, together with interest thereon at the dividend rate to the extent legally

enforceable, and to collect such judgment out of any property of the Railroad wherever situated.

In addition, in case one or more events of default shall happen, the Trustee in its discretion may, and upon the written request of the holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Trust Certificates shall, by notice in writing delivered to the Railroad, declare the principal of all the Trust Certificates then outstanding to be due and payable, and thereupon the same shall become and be immediately due and payable.

Section 5.2. In case of the happening of any event of default, the Trustee may by its agents enter upon the railroad and premises of the Railroad and of any Affiliate and take possession of all or any part of the Trust Equipment and withdraw the same from said railroad and premises, retaining all payments which up to that time may have been made on account of rental for the Trust Equipment and otherwise, and shall be entitled to collect, receive and retain all unpaid per diem, mileage or other charges of any kind earned by the Trust Equipment or any part thereof, and may lease the Trust Equipment or any part thereof, or with or without retaking possession thereof (but only after declaring due and payable the entire amount of rentals payable by the Railroad as provided in Section 5.1 hereof) may sell the same or any part thereof, free from any and all claims of the Railroad at law or in equity, in one lot and as an entirety or in separate lots, in so far as may be necessary to perform and fulfill the trust hereunder, at public or private sale, for cash or upon credit, in its discretion, and may proceed otherwise to enforce its rights and the rights of the holders of interests hereunder in the manner herein provided. Upon any such sale, the Trustee itself may bid for the property offered for sale or any part thereof. Any such sale may be held or conducted at such place and at such time as the Trustee may specify, or as may be required by law, and without gathering at the place of sale the Trust Equipment to be sold, and in general in such manner as the Trustee may determine, but so that the Railroad may and shall have a reasonable opportunity to bid at any such sale. Upon such taking possession or withdrawal or lease or sale of the Trust Equipment, the Railroad shall cease to have any rights or remedies in respect of the Trust Equipment hereunder, but all such rights and remedies shall be deemed thenceforth to have been waived and surrendered by the Railroad, and no payments theretofore made by the

Railroad for the rent or use of the Trust Equipment or any of it shall, in case of the happening of any event of default and such taking possession, withdrawal, lease or sale by the Trustee, give to the Railroad any legal or equitable interest or title in or to the Trust Equipment or any of it or any cause or right of action at law or in equity in respect of the Trust Equipment against the Trustee or the holders of interests hereunder. No such taking possession, withdrawal, lease or sale of the Trust Equipment by the Trustee shall be a bar to the recovery by the Trustee from the Railroad of rentals then or thereafter due and payable, and the Railroad shall be and remain liable for the same until such sums shall have been realized as, with the proceeds of the lease or sale of the Trust Equipment, shall be sufficient for the discharge and payment in full of all the items mentioned in Section 4.4 hereof (other than dividends or interest not then accrued), whether or not they shall have then matured. The holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Trust Certificates shall have the right from time to time to direct which of the proceedings above provided for shall be taken for enforcement of the remedies contained herein.

Section 5.3. If, in case of the happening of any event of default, the Trustee shall exercise any of the powers conferred upon it by Sections 5.1 and 5.2 hereof, all payments made by the Railroad to the Trustee hereunder after such event of default, and the proceeds of any judgment collected hereunder from the Railroad by the Trustee, and the proceeds of every sale or lease by the Trustee of any of the Trust Equipment, together with any other sums which may then be held by the Trustee under any of the provisions hereof (other than sums held in trust for the payment of specific Trust Certificates), shall be applied by the Trustee to the payment in the following order of priority: (a) of all proper charges, expenses or advances made or incurred by the Trustee in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, and (b) of the dividends then due, with interest on overdue dividends at the dividend rate to the extent legally enforceable, and of the principal of all the outstanding Trust Certificates, with interest thereon at the dividend rate to the extent legally enforceable from the last preceding dividend date, whether such Trust Certificates shall have then matured by their terms or not, all such payments to be in full if such proceeds shall be sufficient, and if not sufficient, then pro rata without preference between principal and dividends.

After all such payments shall have been made in full, the title to any of the Trust Equipment remaining unsold

shall be conveyed by the Trustee to the Railroad free from any further liabilities or obligations to the Trustee hereunder. If after applying all such sums of money realized by the Trustee as aforesaid there shall remain any amount due to the Trustee under the provisions hereof, the Railroad agrees to pay the amount of such deficit to the Trustee. If after applying as aforesaid the sums of money realized by the Trustee there shall remain a surplus in the possession of the Trustee, such surplus shall be paid to the Railroad.

Section 5.4. If at any time after the principal of all the Trust Certificates shall have been declared and become due and payable or if at any time after the entire amount of rentals shall have been declared and become due and payable, all as in Section 5.1 hereof provided, but before March 1, 1995, all arrears of rent (with interest at the dividend rate upon any overdue installments to the extent legally enforceable), the expenses and reasonable compensation of the Trustee, together with all expenses of the trust occasioned by the Railroad's default, and all other sums which shall have become due and payable by the Railroad hereunder (other than the principal of Trust Certificates and any other rental installments which shall not at the time have matured according to their terms), shall be paid by the Railroad before any sale or lease by the Trustee of any of the Trust Equipment, and every other default in the observance or performance of any covenant or condition hereof shall be made good or secured to the satisfaction of the Trustee, or provision deemed by the Trustee to be adequate shall be made therefor, then, and in every such case, the Trustee, if so requested by the holders of a majority in principal amount of the Trust Certificates then outstanding, shall by written notice to the Railroad waive the default by reason of which there shall have been such declaration or declarations and the consequences of such default, but no such waiver shall extend to or affect any subsequent default or impair any right consequent thereon.

Section 5.5. No retaking of possession of the Trust Equipment by the Trustee, or any withdrawal, lease or sale thereof, nor any action or failure or omission to act against the Railroad or in respect of the Trust Equipment, on the part of the Trustee or on the part of the holder of any Trust Certificate, nor any delay or indulgence granted to the Railroad by the Trustee or by any such holder, shall affect the obligations of the Railroad hereunder or the obligations of the Railroad under the guaranty endorsed on

the Trust Certificates. The Railroad hereby waives presentation and demand in respect of any of the Trust Certificates and waives notice of presentation, of demand and of any default in the payment of the principal of and dividends on the Trust Certificates.

Section 5.6. In case the Trustee shall demand possession of the Trust Equipment pursuant to the provisions hereof and shall reasonably designate a point or points upon the railroad of the Railroad or of any Affiliate for the delivery of the Trust Equipment to it, the Railroad shall at its own expense forthwith and in the usual manner cause the Trust Equipment to be moved to such point or points on such railroads as shall be designated by the Trustee and shall there deliver or cause to be delivered the same to the Trustee; or the Trustee may at its option keep the Trust Equipment on any of the lines of railroad or premises of the Railroad or of any Affiliate until the Trustee shall have leased, sold or otherwise disposed of the same, and for such purpose the Railroad agrees to furnish without charge for rent or storage the necessary facilities at any convenient point or points selected by the Trustee. It is hereby expressly covenanted and agreed that the performance of this covenant is of the essence of this Agreement and that upon application to any court having jurisdiction in the premises, the Trustee shall be entitled to a decree against the Railroad requiring the specific performance thereof.

Section 5.7. The remedies in this Agreement provided in favor of the Trustee and the holders of the Trust Certificates, or either of them, shall not be deemed exclusive, but shall be cumulative, and shall be in addition to all other remedies in their favor existing at law or in equity. Such remedies shall be subject in all respects to any mandatory requirements of law at the time applicable thereto, to the extent such requirements may not be waived on the part of the Railroad.

## ARTICLE VI

### ADDITIONAL COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS BY THE RAILROAD

Section 6.1. The Railroad hereby covenants and agrees to make payment of the reasonable expenses and compensation

of the Trustee, and of all taxes, assessments and governmental charges herein mentioned for which the Trustee, as such, may be liable and of the rentals and of the other amounts provided for herein.

Section 6.2. The Railroad covenants, agrees and guarantees that the holder of each of the Trust Certificates shall receive the principal sum thereof, in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts, when and as the same shall become due and payable, in accordance with the provisions thereof or of this Agreement (and, if not so paid, with interest thereon at the dividend rate to the extent legally enforceable), and shall receive dividends thereon in like money at the rate specified therein from the date thereof to the date of maturity of such Trust Certificate, at the times and places and otherwise as expressed in the Trust Certificates (and, if not so paid, with interest thereon at the dividend rate to the extent legally enforceable); and the Railroad further covenants and agrees to endorse upon each of the Trust Certificates, at or before the issuance and delivery thereof by the Trustee, its guaranty of the prompt payment of the principal thereof and of the dividends thereon, in substantially the form hereinbefore set forth. Said guaranty so endorsed shall be signed in the name and on behalf of the Railroad by the facsimile signature of its Treasurer. In case any officer of the Railroad whose signature shall appear on said guaranty shall cease to be such officer before the Trust Certificates shall have been issued and delivered by the Trustee, or shall not have been acting in such capacity on the date of the Trust Certificates, such guaranty shall nevertheless be as effective and binding upon the Railroad as though the person who signed said guaranty had at all times been such officer.

Section 6.3. The Railroad covenants and agrees that it will pay and discharge, or cause to be paid and discharged, or make adequate provision for the satisfaction or discharge of, any debt, tax, charge, assessment, obligation or claim which if unpaid might become a lien or charge upon or against any of the Trust Equipment, except upon the leasehold interest of the Railroad therein; but this provision shall not require the payment of any such debt, tax, charge, assessment, obligation or claim so long as the validity thereof shall be contested in good faith and by appropriate legal proceedings, unless such context will in the judgment of the Trustee materially endanger the rights or interests of the Trustee or of the holders of the Trust Certificates.

Section 6.4. The Railroad covenants and agrees to pay the expenses incident to the preparation and execution of the Trust Certificates to be issued hereunder, or connected with the preparation, execution, recording and filing hereof and of any instruments executed under the provisions hereof with respect to the Trust Equipment. The Railroad with all convenient speed will cause this Agreement, all supplements hereto and all statements of new numbers of the Trust Equipment to be duly filed and recorded with the Interstate Commerce Commission in accordance with 49 U.S.C. Section 11303. The Railroad will from time to time do and perform any other act and will execute, acknowledge, deliver, file, register and record any and all further instruments required by law or reasonably requested by the Trustee for the purposes of proper protection of the title of the Trustee and the rights of the holders of the Trust Certificates and of fully carrying out and effectuating this Agreement and the intent hereof; and the Railroad will promptly furnish to the Trustee certificates or other evidences of filing and recording pursuant to the last preceding sentence, and of any other such filing, registration and recording, and an Opinion or Opinions of Counsel with respect thereto.

Section 6.5. The Railroad covenants and agrees from time to time to do all such acts and execute all such instruments of further assurance as it shall be reasonably requested by the Trustee to do or execute for the purpose of fully carrying out and effectuating this Agreement and the intent hereof.

Section 6.6. The Railroad covenants that it will make payment of the rentals on account of the Trust Equipment as provided in this Agreement notwithstanding that any of the Trust Certificates shall have been acquired by the Railroad or shall not have been presented for payment.

## ARTICLE VII

### THE TRUSTEE

Section 7.1. The Trustee hereby accepts the trusts imposed upon it by this Agreement, and covenants and agrees to perform the same as herein expressed.

Section 7.2. The Trustee covenants and agrees to apply and distribute the rentals received by it under Section 4.4(B) hereof (other than sums restored to Deposited Cash

from rentals pursuant to Section 4.4(B)(1) hereof) when and as the same shall be received, and to the extent that such rentals shall be sufficient therefor, for the purposes specified in said Section 4.4(B).

Section 7.3. The Trustee shall cause to be kept at its principal office in the City of Mobile, State of Alabama, books for the registration and transfer of the Trust Certificates; and upon presentation for such purpose the Trustee will register or cause to be registered as hereinbefore provided, under such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, any of the Trust Certificates.

Section 7.4. The Trustee shall not be required to undertake any act or duty in the way of insuring, taking care of or taking possession of the Trust Equipment or to undertake any other act or duty under this Agreement until fully indemnified by the Railroad or by one or more of the holders of the Trust Certificates against all liability and expenses. The Trustee shall not be responsible for the filing or recording or refiling or rerecording of this Agreement, of any supplement hereto or of any statement of new numbers. The Trustee may issue and deliver Trust Certificates in advance of such filing or recording. In accepting delivery of and making payment for the Trust Equipment hereunder, or in accepting any cash payable hereunder in respect of Trust Equipment, the Trustee may rely upon and shall be fully protected by the certificates, bills of sale and Opinions of Counsel to be furnished to it under Section 3.4, 4.7 or 4.9 hereof, as the case may be, and shall not be required to make any further investigation of or inquiry concerning the matters covered thereby.

Section 7.5. The Trustee shall be under no obligation to take any action for the execution or enforcement of the trust hereby created unless requested thereunto in writing by the holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Trust Certificates and unless indemnified to its satisfaction against expense and liability with respect thereto, and unless also furnished with proof satisfactory to it as to the ownership of the Trust Certificates in respect of which any such request may be made; but this provision, in the absence of such request, shall not affect any discretion herein given to the Trustee to determine whether it shall take action in respect of any default hereunder or what action it shall take.

Section 7.6. No holder of any Trust Certificate shall have any right to institute any suit, action or proceeding for the execution and enforcement of the trust hereby created unless, after the aforesaid request in writing by the holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding Trust Certificates shall have been made to the Trustee, and after indemnity satisfactory to it shall have been provided, and after 90 days shall have elapsed after receipt by the Trustee of such request, it shall decline, fail or neglect to institute any proceedings pursuant thereto. Neither the provisions of this Section 7.6 nor the provisions of Section 7.5 hereof shall affect or limit in any way the obligations of the Railroad under its guaranty hereinabove provided or the rights of the holders of Trust Certificates to institute suit for the enforcement of payments due under said guaranty in respect of the Trust Certificates.

Section 7.7. The Trustee may for all purposes conclusively assume that the Railroad is not in default under the terms hereof until notified in writing to the contrary by the holders of at least 10% in principal amount of the then outstanding Trust Certificates, which notice shall distinctly specify the event of default desired to be brought to the attention of the Trustee. As to any fact or matter the manner of determining which is not specifically prescribed herein, the Trustee may for all purposes rely upon an Officer's Certificate as to such fact or matter. The Trustee shall not incur any liability to anyone in relying conclusively on, and in acting upon, any notice, consent, order, certificate or other paper or instrument believed by it to be genuine or authentic and to be signed by the proper party or parties.

Section 7.8. Any money at any time paid to or held by the Trustee hereunder until paid out by the Trustee as herein provided may be carried as a general deposit and need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law. The Trustee shall not be under any liability for interest on any moneys received by it hereunder except such as it may agree with the Railroad to pay thereon.

At any time, and from time to time, if at the time there shall be no default under the terms of this Agreement or of any supplement hereto, the Trustee, on Request, shall invest and reinvest Deposited Cash and Replacement Funds held by it in such Government Securities as are set forth in such Request, such Government Securities to be held by the

Trustee in trust for the benefit of the holders of the Trust Certificates.

The Trustee may, and on Request shall, in the event funds are required for payment against delivery of any Equipment, sell such Government Securities, or any portion thereof, and restore to Deposited Cash or Replacement Funds, as the case may be, the proceeds of any such sale up to the amount paid for such Government Securities, including accrued interest.

The Trustee shall restore to Deposited Cash or Replacement Funds, as the case may be, out of rent received by it for that purpose under the provisions of Section 4.4(B)(1) hereof, an amount equal to any expenses incurred in connection with any purchase or sale of Government Securities and also an amount equal to any loss of principal incident to the sale or redemption of any Government Securities for a sum less than the amount paid therefor, including accrued interest. The Railroad, if not in default under the terms hereof or any supplement hereto, shall be entitled to receive any interest or profit which may be realized from any sale or redemption of Government Securities or any portion thereof.

Section 7.9. The Trustee shall not be liable to anyone for any delay in the delivery of any of the Trust Equipment, or for any default on the part of the Owners or manufacturers thereof or of the Railroad, or for any defect in any of the Trust Equipment or in the title thereto, nor shall anything herein be construed as a warranty on the part of the Trustee in respect thereof or as a representation in respect of the value thereof or in respect of the title thereto.

The Trustee may perform its powers and duties hereunder by or through such attorneys, agents and servants as it shall appoint, and shall be entitled to rely upon the advice of counsel (who may be counsel to the Railroad), and shall be answerable only for its own acts, negligence and wilful defaults and not for the default or misconduct of any attorney, agent or servant appointed by it with reasonable care. The Trustee shall not be responsible in any way for the recitals herein contained or for the execution or validity of this Agreement or of the Trust Certificates (except for its own execution thereof), or for the guaranty by the Railroad, or for any mistake of fact or law.

The Trustee shall be entitled to receive payment of all its expenses and disbursements hereunder, including reasonable counsel fees, and to receive reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it in the execution of the trust hereby created, all of which shall be paid by the Railroad.

The Trustee in its individual capacity may own, hold and dispose of Trust Certificates with the same rights which it would have if it were not Trustee.

Any moneys at any time held by the Trustee hereunder shall, until paid out or invested by the Trustee as herein provided, be held by it in trust as herein provided for the benefit of the holders of the Trust Certificates.

Section 7.10. If at any time the Trustee or any successor to it in the trust hereby created shall desire to divest itself of title to the Trust Equipment, and to terminate its duties and obligations and rights hereunder and under the Trust Certificates, it shall so notify the Railroad in writing, and the Railroad shall thereupon designate in writing to the Trustee a bank or a trust company, qualified as below specified, to serve until a successor is appointed by the holders of Trust Certificates as hereinafter provided, to which may be assigned the entire right, title and interest of the Trustee or such successor in the Trust Equipment, and in which may be vested the rights, powers, duties and obligations of the Trustee hereunder and under the Trust Certificates. Upon the transfer and delivery of all moneys and Trust Equipment held by the retiring trustee, and the execution by the retiring trustee of such instruments of transfer as may be reasonably requested by the successor trustee, and upon acceptance by the successor trustee of the assignment and of the trust, the retiring trustee shall be relieved and discharged of all the title, rights, powers, duties and obligations of the trust hereunder and under the Trust Certificates, and the same shall become vested in such successor trustee, and every provision hereof applicable to the retiring trustee shall apply to such successor trustee with like effect as if such successor trustee had been originally named herein in the place and stead of the retiring trustee. In the event that the Railroad shall fail to designate such a successor trustee by instrument in writing delivered to the retiring trustee within two weeks from the time of receiving such notice in writing from the retiring trustee, the retiring trustee may thereupon designate such successor trustee. The foregoing provisions are, however, subject to the right

of the holders of the majority in principal amount of the then outstanding Trust Certificates by an instrument in writing to appoint any successor trustee, if such appointment is made within one year from the date of the giving of such notice to the Railroad. The Railroad shall execute all writings recognizing the transfer of title as aforesaid and all instruments of further assurance or otherwise as reasonably may be requested by the successor trustee in the premises, and will do and perform any and all acts necessary to establish and maintain the title and rights of the successor trustee in and to the Trust Equipment. Every successor trustee shall be a bank or a trust company doing business in the City of Mobile, State of Alabama or in the Borough of Manhattan, City and State of New York, having a capital and surplus aggregating at least \$25,000,000, if there be such a bank or trust company willing and able to accept the trust upon reasonable and customary terms and duly qualified to act as such trustee.

Section 7.11. Any corporation resulting from any merger or consolidation to which the Trustee or any successor to it shall be a party, or any corporation in any manner succeeding to all or substantially all the business of the Trustee or any successor trustee, provided such corporation shall be a bank or a trust company doing business in the City of Mobile, State of Alabama or in the Borough of Manhattan, City and State of New York, and shall have a capital and surplus aggregating at least \$25,000,000, shall be the successor trustee hereunder without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding.

Section 7.12. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement, any moneys paid to the Trustee which are applicable to the payment of the principal of or dividends on any Trust Certificates which remain unclaimed for five years after the day when such moneys were due and payable shall then be repaid to the Railroad upon Request, and the holders of such Trust Certificates shall thereafter be entitled to look only to the Railroad for payment thereof and all liability of the Trustee with respect to such moneys shall thereupon cease; provided, however, that before the repayment of such moneys to the Railroad as aforesaid, the Trustee may first publish a notice, in such form as may be deemed appropriate by the Trustee, in respect of the Trust Certificates so payable and not presented and in respect of the provisions hereof relating to the repayment to the Railroad of the moneys held for the payment thereof.

Section 7.13. The Trustee shall not, without the consent of the holders of all Trust Certificates, enter into any agreement supplemental hereto which would change the stated maturity of the principal of, or dividends on, the Trust Certificates (or the rentals in respect thereof), or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment. The holders of Trust Certificates shall receive 30 days' prior written notice of any amendment of this Agreement and of any consent of the Trustee under Section 4.8 hereof.

## ARTICLE VIII

### MISCELLANEOUS

Section 8.1. Any request or other instrument provided by this Agreement to be signed or executed by holders of Trust Certificates may be in any number of concurrent instruments of similar tenor, and may be executed by such holders in person or by an agent or attorney appointed by an instrument in writing. Proof of the execution of any such request or other instrument, or of a writing appointing any such agent or attorney, or of the holding by any person of Trust Certificates, shall be sufficient for any purpose hereof and shall be conclusive in favor of the Trustee with regard to any action taken by the Trustee under such request or other instrument if made in the following manner:

(a) The fact and date of the execution by any person of any such request or of any other instrument in writing may be proved by the affidavit of a witness to such execution, or by the certificate of any notary public or of any other officer authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds to be recorded in the state where the acknowledgment may be taken, certifying that the person signing such request or other instrument acknowledged to him the execution thereof.

The ownership of Trust Certificates shall be determined by the registry books to be kept as provided in Section 7.3 hereof.

Section 8.2. Nothing expressed or implied herein is intended or shall be construed to confer upon or to give to any person, firm or corporation, other than the parties hereto and the holders of the Trust Certificates, any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement or of

any term, covenant or condition hereof, and all the terms, covenants, conditions, promises and agreements contained herein shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the parties hereto and their successors and of the holders of the Trust Certificates.

Section 8.3. Except as otherwise provided herein, the provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

Section 8.4. All demands, notices and communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if personally delivered or mailed by registered mail (a) to the Railroad, to 233 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60601, or at such other address as may hereafter be furnished to the Trustee in writing by the Railroad and (b) to the Trustee, to 106 St. Francis, Mobile, Alabama 36602, or at such other address as may hereafter be furnished to the Railroad in writing by the Trustee. An affidavit by any person representing or acting on behalf of the Railroad or the Trustee, as to such mailing, having the registry receipt attached, shall be conclusive evidence of the giving of such demand, notice or communication.

Section 8.5. This Agreement has been executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 8.6. This Agreement shall be deemed to have been executed on the date of the acknowledgment thereof by the officer of the Trustee who signed it on behalf of the Trustee.

Section 8.7. The provisions of this Agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder, shall be governed by the laws of the State of Alabama.

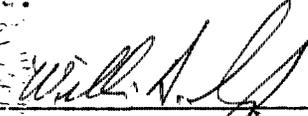
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused their names to be signed hereto by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized and their respective corporate seals, duly attested, to be hereunto affixed as of the day and year first written.

THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF  
MOBILE, Trustee,

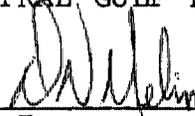
By   
Its VICE PRESIDENT & TRUST OFFICER

(Seal)

Attest:

  
Its Executive Vice President  
and Trust Officer

ILLINOIS CENTRAL GULF RAILROAD  
COMPANY,

By   
Treasurer

(Seal)

Attest:

  
Assistant Secretary

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
MOBILE COUNTY )

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that **FRANK W. BROWNING, JR.** whose name as **VICE PRESIDENT & TRUST OFFICER** of The Merchants National Bank of Mobile, a national banking association, as Trustee, is signed to the foregoing Equipment Trust Agreement, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of said Equipment Trust Agreement, he, as such officer, and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said national banking association, acting in its capacity as Trustee as aforesaid.

Given under my hand and official seal this the 20 day of MARCH, 1981.

Charlotte A. Smith  
Notary Public

AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL

My commission expires: 8-7-84

THE STATE OF ILLINOIS)  
COOK COUNTY )

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that D. N. Melin whose name as Treasurer of Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company, a corporation, is signed to the foregoing Equipment Trust Agreement, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of said Equipment Trust Agreement, he, as such officer and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said corporation.

Given under my hand and official seal this the 19TH day of MARCH, 1981.

Robert H. Hughes  
Notary Public

AFFIX NOTARIAL SEAL

My commission expires: 11-23-84

SCHEDULE A

<u>Number of Units</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Purchase Price per Unit</u>	<u>Total Purchase Price</u>
299	100-ton Covered Hopper Cars, 4750 cu. ft. capacity, manufactured by Pullman-Standard in February 1980, numbered ICG 767200- 767494, both inclusive, and 767496-767499, both inclusive	\$41,625.47	\$12,446,015.53
50	100-ton Airslide Covered Hopper Cars, 4180 cu. ft. capacity, manufac- tured by General American Transpor- tation Corp. in February 1980, numbered ICG 782700- 782749, both inclusive	51,174.14	2,558,707.00
<hr/> 349		Total	<hr/> \$15,004,722.53