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Mr. Sidney Strickland, Jr.
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Dear Mr. Strickland:

Pursuant to Section 11303 of Interstate Commerce Act, enclosed for recordation are four (4) counterparts of Equipment Lease Agreement between Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership, and Chicago and North Western Railway Company dated as of August 1, 1994 covering 125 bi-level auto racks.

The names and addresses of the parties are as follows:

Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership
10900 N.E. 4th Street
Bellevue, WA 98004-5853
Attention: Vice President - Investment Group

Chicago and North Western Railway Company
165 North Canal Street
One North Western Center
Chicago, IL 60606

Enclosed is a check to cover the recording fees. Please assign a recordation number to the Equipment Lease, retain one counterpart for your files, and return to me the remaining counterparts with the stamped recordation data.

Sincerely,

K. A. Dombrowski
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Assistant Secretary

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EQUIPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

METLIFE CAPITAL, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

AND

CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY

DATED AS OF

AUGUST 1, 1994

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EQUIPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT

THIS EQUIPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT (the "Lease"), is dated as of the first day of August, 1994, and is by and between Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership, a Delaware limited partnership (the "Lessor") and Chicago and North Western Railway Company, a Delaware corporation (the "Lessee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Lessee is entering into a purchase agreement dated as of the date hereof with the Lessor pursuant to which, among other things, the Lessee has agreed to sell to the Lessor the units of Equipment, as hereinafter defined, as described on Schedule "A" hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Lessee desires to lease the Equipment at the rentals and upon the terms and conditions hereinafter provided.

In consideration of the premises and of the rentals to be paid and the covenants hereinafter mentioned to be kept and performed by the Lessee, the Lessor hereby leases the Equipment to the Lessee upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Net Lease. The Lessor hereby agrees, subject to satisfaction of the conditions hereinafter set forth, to lease to the Lessee and the Lessee hereby agrees to lease from the Lessor up to 125 new bi-level railroad auto racks, (individually called an "Item of Equipment" and collectively the "Equipment") described on the attached Schedule "A". The aggregate of the Cost, as hereinafter defined, of the Items of Equipment described on the Equipment List shall at no time exceed FOUR MILLION SIX

HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$4,626,875.00). This Lease is a net lease and the Lessee acknowledges and agrees that the Lessee's obligation to pay all Rentals, as hereinafter defined, hereunder, and the rights of Lessor in and to such Rentals, shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be subject to any abatement, reduction, set-off, defense, counterclaim or recoupment (herein referred to as the "Abatements") for any reason whatsoever, including without limitation, Abatements due to any present or future claims against the Lessor under this Lease or otherwise, or against the manufacturer, seller, or Vendor, as hereinafter defined, of any Item of Equipment. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, this Lease shall not terminate, nor shall the respective obligations of the Lessor or the Lessee be affected, by reason of any defect in or damage to, or any loss or destruction of, the Equipment or any Item of Equipment thereof from whatsoever cause, or the interference with the use thereof by any private person, corporation or governmental authority, or the invalidity or unenforceability or lack of due authorization of this Lease or lack of right, power or authority of the Lessor or the Lessee to enter into this Lease, or for any other cause, whether similar or dissimilar to the foregoing, any present or future law or regulation to the contrary notwithstanding, it being the express intention of the Lessor and the Lessee that all Rentals payable by the Lessee hereunder shall be, and continue to be, payable in all events unless the obligation to pay the same shall be terminated pursuant to the express provisions of this

Lease. If for any reason whatsoever this Lease shall be terminated in whole or in part by operation of law or otherwise, except as expressly provided herein, the Lessee nonetheless agrees to pay to the Lessor an amount equal to each payment of Rental with respect to each Item of Equipment remaining in the Lessee's possession other than in storage pursuant to the provisions hereof at the time such payment would have become due and payable in accordance with the terms hereof had this Lease not been so terminated. The Lessee hereby waives, and hereby agrees to waive at any future time at the request of the Lessor, to the extent now or then permitted by applicable law, any and all rights which it may now have or which at any time hereafter may be conferred upon it by statute or otherwise to terminate, cancel, quit or surrender this Lease except in accordance with the express terms hereof. Each payment of Rental made by the Lessee to the Lessor shall be final as between the Lessor and the Lessee (except as to any amount, which the Lessee shall be entitled to recover, by which such Rental exceeds the correct amount that should have been paid in accordance with any provision hereof for adjustment or other determination of the Rental), and the Lessee will not (except as aforesaid) seek to recover all or any part of any such payment of the Rental from the Lessor for any reason whatsoever.

2. Term. The term (the "Term") of this Lease for each Item of Equipment shall begin on the date of the delivery to and acceptance by the Lessee of each such Item of Equipment hereunder ("Interim Lease Commencement Date(s)"). The base lease term (the

"Base Lease Term") shall commence on February 8, 1995 (the "Base Lease Commencement Date") and shall terminate on August 8, 2010, subject to the provisions of Section 13. The word "Term" as used herein shall include up to four consecutive Annual Renewal Terms (as hereinafter defined) permitted hereunder. Upon three hundred and sixty-five (365) days' delivered written notice prior to expiration of the Base Lease Term or each Annual Renewal Term, as the case may be, the Lessee shall have the right to renew the Lease provided no Event of Default or event which with the passage of time or giving of notice would constitute an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing with respect to all, but not less than all, of the Equipment for up to four one (1) year periods ("Renewal Terms") at the Fair Market Rental. If by the option date the parties do not agree as to the rental, the Fair Market Rental value shall be determined by an independent appraiser selected by mutual agreement; Lessee shall pay rental installments based on Lessor's estimate of Fair Market Rental value until the issue is resolved, at which time appropriate additional payments or credits shall be made or given. Lessee shall pay the fees and expenses of the appraiser. All provisions of the Lease shall continue in full force and effect during a Renewal Term except for the amount of rental.

3. Rentals and Rental Payment Dates. The Lessee agrees to pay the Lessor for each Item of Equipment leased hereunder sixty-two (62) rental payments during the Base Lease Term, such payments for the first thirty-one (31) rental payments to equal 2.408634% of the cost of each Item of Equipment as referenced on

the applicable Certificate of Inspection and Acceptance for such Item of Equipment (the "Cost") and to equal for the second thirty-one (31) rental payments, 2.943886% of the Cost of each Item of Equipment. Rental payments shall be made quarterly in advance on February 8, May 8, August 8 and November 8 (individually a "Rental Payment Date" and collectively the "Rental Payment Dates") commencing February 8, 1995 and ending May 8, 2010 (individually the "Rental" and collectively the "Rentals"). If any of the quarterly Rental Payment Dates are not Business Days, the Rental otherwise payable on such date shall be payable in immediately available funds on the next succeeding Business Day. For purposes of this Lease, the term "Business Day" means calendar days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays on which Lessor's or Lessee's offices or banks in Bellevue, Washington, Seattle, Washington or Chicago, Illinois are closed for business.

In the event the Lessee shall be in default in the payment of any sum of money to be paid under this Lease, whether Rental or otherwise, the Lessee shall pay the Lessor, as additional Rental, to the extent permitted by applicable law, interest on such unpaid sum from its due date to date of payment by the Lessee at a rate equal to 5% over the Prime Rate ("Overdue Rate"). Prime Rate shall mean, for purposes of this Lease, the rate of interest publicly announced by the Bank of America from time to time as its prime rate.

Rental and all other amounts payable to the Lessor hereunder shall be made by Federal Funds wire transfer for the

account of the Lessor to a bank within the United States of America to be designated by the Lessor, together with notice so as to provide the Lessor with the use of the funds on or before 11 a.m., C.S.T., on the due date.

The Lessee and the Lessor agree that, except as hereinafter provided, the Rentals payable hereunder, the Early Buyout Option amount and the Stipulated Loss Values set forth in Schedule B hereto will be adjusted upward or downward (an "Adjustment") to reflect:

(a) any revocation of, amendment to, or change in, the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), or any change in the income tax regulations, published administrative or judicial interpretations or decisions relating to the Code or such regulations, which change, interpretation or decision is enacted on or before the Closing Date and has an effect on any Item of Equipment, and is applicable to MACRS deductions with respect to any of the Items of Equipment in accordance with, if relevant, any election made by the Lessor in its sole discretion; and

(b) closings on dates and in such amounts which cause August 8, 1994 not to be the Closing Date for all Items of Equipment.

If, as a result of the occurrence of one or both of the foregoing events (a) or (b), Rentals payable hereunder, the Early Buyout Option amount, and the Stipulated Loss Values set forth in Schedule B hereto would require adjustment upward or downward, then rentals, the Early Buyout Option amount, and the Stipulated

Loss Values during the Base Lease Term shall be adjusted upward or downward; provided, however, that such Adjustment shall be made only to the extent that the Lessor's after-tax rate of return and the present value of the after-tax cash flow (discounted at a rate equal to the after-tax rate of return contemplated for this transaction) shall be maintained at a level (computed over the Base Lease Term) as if such events in (a) and/or (b) had not occurred (hereinafter called "After Tax Economics").

Adjustment will be effective as of the first Rental Payment Date following the event giving rise to such Adjustment and will be made in such manner as will result, in the Lessor's reasonable judgment, in preserving for the Lessor the anticipated After Tax Economics that would have been realized by the Lessor had such event not occurred, and in all other respects based on the assumptions and methods of calculation utilized by the Lessor in originally evaluating the transaction described in this Lease and related documents.

The Lessor shall furnish the Lessee prior to the effective date of any Adjustment with a notice setting forth in reasonable detail the computations and methods used in computing such Adjustment but shall not be required to divulge its After Tax Economics with regard to any such computation. Lessee shall have the right to review Lessor's Adjustments for reasonableness and to approve such adjustment. Such review and approval shall occur within ten days of notification by Lessor of the Adjustment. If Lessee shall not have notified Lessor of its

disapproval of such Adjustment within such ten day period, such Adjustment shall be deemed approved. If Lessee finds the rate unreasonable, the parties shall consult and agree upon a mutually agreeable rate. If Lessee and Lessor are unable to reach agreement on a rate within 30 days of Lessor's notice, the decision shall be promptly referred to a mutually agreeable independent third party familiar with leasing transactions, whose decision will be final and whose cost shall be shared equally by Lessor and Lessee.

Lessor shall not be obligated to lease to Lessee any Item of Equipment not delivered to and accepted by Lessee by September 30, 1994 unless an extension of time is mutually agreed upon by Lessor and Lessee.

4. Taxes Against Lessor or Equipment. The Lessee agrees to pay and to indemnify and hold the Lessor harmless from, all license and registration fees and sale, use, personal property, stamp or other taxes, levies, imposts, duties, charges or withholdings of any nature whatsoever (including but not limited to Canadian GST and Provincial Sales Tax) together with any penalties, fines or interest thereon imposed against the Lessor, the Lessee or the Equipment or any part thereof by any federal, state, foreign or local government or taxing authority, during the term or in connection with the termination of this Lease, upon or with respect to the Equipment or any part thereof or upon the purchase, ownership, delivery, leasing, possession, use, operation, return or other disposition (except for any disposition by the Lessor other than a disposition occurring upon

an Event of Default) thereof, or upon the rentals, receipts or earnings arising therefrom, or upon or with respect to this Lease (excluding, however, (i) any taxes (applied in lieu of any income taxes or as additional income taxes) imposed by the federal government on, based on, or measured by, the net income or gross income, net or gross receipts, minimum tax, items of tax preference, franchise, capital, value added or net worth of the Lessor including but not limited to any value added taxes or franchise taxes; (ii) any income, value added or franchise taxes (applied in lieu of any income taxes or as additional income taxes) imposed by any taxing authority other than the federal government on, based on, or measured by, the net income of the Lessor which in the aggregate do not exceed the amount of any such taxes imposed by reason of this transaction which would be payable to the taxing authorities of the jurisdictions, other than the United States of America, in which the Lessor has its principal place of business assuming no allocation or apportionment to any other taxing authority, (iii) franchise taxes based on the corporate characteristics of the Lessor, (iv) taxes imposed by any foreign jurisdiction on net income, other than any such taxes resulting from the presence, operation or use of the Equipment in the foreign jurisdiction imposing such taxes, and (v) any tax or similar charge included in the Cost of any Item of Equipment, except to the extent that any of the foregoing events referred to in clauses (i) through (iv) arose by virtue of a violation of any of Lessee's obligations hereunder); unless, and only to the extent and for the period that, any such tax,

levy, impost, duty, charge or withholding is being contested by the Lessee in good faith and by appropriate proceedings (all such taxes, fees and charges as defined in this sentence being hereinafter referred to as the "Indemnified Taxes" or the "Taxes"). Any payment made by Lessee pursuant to this Section 4 shall reflect the net increase in Lessor's federal, state or local income taxes as a result of the inclusion in Lessor's income of any amount required to be paid by Lessee under this Section 4. In case any report or return is required to be made with respect to any obligation of the Lessee under this Section or arising out of this Section, the Lessee will either prepare and file such report or return in such manner as will show the ownership of the Equipment in the Lessor and, upon reasonable request of the Lessor, send a copy of such report or return to the Lessor or will timely notify Lessor of such requirement and the Lessee will prepare such report or return for filing by the Lessor in such manner as shall be satisfactory to the Lessor. If claim is made against the Lessor for any Indemnified Taxes, the Lessor shall promptly notify the Lessee in writing. If reasonably requested by the Lessee in writing, the Lessor shall, at the Lessee's expense, take such action as the Lessee may reasonably request with respect to such asserted liability, provided that the Lessee furnishes an opinion of independent counsel, selected by the Lessee and satisfactory to the Lessor, to the effect that there is a reasonable basis for contesting such asserted liability. If Lessor elects to pay any tax required to be paid by Lessee hereunder (provided, however, that

Lessor is not required or obligated to pay such tax), Lessor shall pay such tax under protest, if reasonably so requested by Lessee and if such protest is necessary and proper. If payment is made by Lessor, Lessee shall reimburse Lessor for such payment on demand together with interest at the Overdue Rate for the number of days such payment is unreimbursed by the Lessee and the Lessor shall, at the Lessee's expense, take such action as the Lessee may reasonably request to recover such payment and shall, if requested, permit the Lessee in the Lessor's name to file a claim or prosecute an action to recover such payment. If the Lessor shall obtain a refund of all or any part of such taxes, fees or other charges previously reimbursed by the Lessee in connection with any such contest or any amount representing interest thereon applicable to the amount paid by the Lessee and for the period of such payment, the Lessor shall pay to the Lessee the amount of such refund and/or interest received by the Lessor net of expenses, but only if no Event of Default, or event which with notice of lapse of time or both would constitute an Event of Default, shall have occurred and be continuing. All of the obligations of the Lessee under this Section with respect to any Indemnified Taxes imposed or accrued before the expiration or other termination of this Lease shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding such expiration or other termination and are expressly made for the benefit of, and shall be enforceable by, the Lessor.

This Lease assumes that the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as enacted October 22, 1986) govern this

transaction. In the event a change in tax law, including but not limited to technical corrections, modifications or official interpretations of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, occurs prior to the Closing Date, then the rental factor, Early Buyout Option amount and Stipulated Loss Values shall be adjusted in accordance with the Adjustment provisions set forth in Section 3 hereof to preserve Lessor's After Tax Economics.

5. Lessee's Failure to Pay Taxes, Insurance, Etc. Should the Lessee fail to make any payment or do any act as herein provided, then the Lessor shall have the right, but not the obligation, without releasing Lessee from any obligation hereunder, to make or do the same, and to pay, purchase, contest or compromise any Lien (as hereinafter defined) not permitted hereunder which in the Lessor's reasonable judgment appears to substantially affect the Equipment or the Lessor's rights with respect thereto, and in exercising any such rights, incur any liability and expend whatever amounts in its discretion it may deem necessary therefor, provided, however, that the Lessor shall take no such action nor expend any such amount without prior notice to the Lessee at least twenty (20) days preceding such proposed action or expenditure or, if to prevent any Lien from attaching to any Item of Equipment due to any statutory limitation under any law or regulation it is necessary to take such action or make such expenditure within such twenty (20) day period, within such statutory limitation period, and shall consider all reasonable requests made by the Lessee prior to taking such action or making such expenditure. All sums so

incurred or expended by the Lessor shall be upon demand immediately due and payable by the Lessee and shall bear interest at the Overdue Rate from the date so incurred or expended by the Lessor to the date the Lessor is reimbursed therefor by the Lessee.

6. Use, Ownership and Sublease Rights. So long as the Lessee shall not be in default under this Lease, the Lessee shall be entitled to the possession and use of the Equipment in accordance with the terms of this Lease. The Lessee shall use, operate, maintain and store the Equipment in a careful and proper manner in accordance with standards customary in the railroad industry and consistent with those used in maintaining other rolling stock or like equipment owned or leased by the Lessee and shall comply with all laws, ordinances and regulations in any way relating to the possession, use, operation or maintenance of the Equipment. The Lessee agrees to pay all reasonable costs incurred in connection with the use and operation of each Item of the Equipment, during the Term thereof, including but not limited to, repairs, maintenance, storage and servicing, except to the extent that such costs are paid by the manufacturer or Vendor.

The Lessee acknowledges and agrees that it does not have and will not acquire legal title to the Equipment, it being expressly understood that this Lease is an agreement of lease only. The Equipment is and shall at all times remain the sole and exclusive property of the Lessor. The only interest the Lessee shall have in the Equipment is that of a lessee hereunder.

The Lessee shall keep the Equipment free from any markings or labeling which might be interpreted as a claim of ownership thereof by the Lessee or any party other than the Lessor or its assigns except that the Equipment may be lettered with the name or initials or other insignia customarily used by Lessee on similar equipment. So long as no Event of Default or event which with the passage of time or the giving of notice would constitute an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Lessee shall be entitled to sublease the Equipment for its intended purpose to railroad or other non-foreign corporations or entities, if the Lessee shall have first obtained the written consent, not to be unreasonably withheld, of the Lessor; provided, however, that the Lessee shall have the right to sublease the Equipment or any Item of Equipment without the consent of the Lessor to any corporation or entity organized under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia without the Lessor's consent if such sublease (i) shall provide that the Equipment will be operated and maintained in accordance with the terms hereof, (ii) is for a term not longer than the lesser of six (6) months or one day less than the remaining term of this Lease, and (iii) the sublessee is not insolvent or bankrupt immediately prior to such sublease. Lessee shall provide Lessor with notification of any such sublease and a copy of such sublease. The Lessee shall not assign or permit the assignment of the Equipment for use or operation involving other than occasional operation and maintenance thereof in Canada and/or Mexico. All

subleases shall be subject and subordinate to the terms and provisions of this Lease and the interests of the Lessee hereunder. Under any such sublease, the Lessee's obligations shall remain those of a principal and not a surety.

Lessee shall not use the equipment outside the geographic limits of the United States of America except for occasional use in Canada and/or Mexico.

7. Alterations. The Lessee shall make any alterations, additions or improvements to the Equipment if such alterations, additions or improvements to the Equipment are required by law, governmental regulation or by the Association of American Rail roads (the "AAR") provided that, if the Lessee determines that such required alterations, additions or improvements are uneconomic, Lessee may declare a casualty of all Items of Equipment so affected and thereby terminate this Lease upon payment of the Stipulated Loss Value. Lessee shall have the right, without Lessor's consent, to make modifications, alterations, additions or improvements to the Equipment which do not damage the Equipment or which do not diminish the value of the Equipment. Lessee shall use best efforts to promptly notify Lessor of any such modification, alteration, addition or improvement. All modifications, alterations, additions or improvements which are not readily removable shall without further act become the property of the Lessor and shall be free of all Liens and the Lessee shall provide a bill of sale to the Lessor for all such alterations, additions or improvements. Lessee shall have the right to remove any modification,

alteration, addition or improvement at the end of the Term at its expense provided that such removal does not damage the Equipment and such modifications, alterations, additions or improvements are not required by law, governmental regulation or by the AAR.

8. Maintenance and Repair. The Lessee, at its sole cost and expense, shall keep the Equipment in good operating order, repair and condition and shall furnish any and all parts, mechanisms or devices required to keep the Equipment in good mechanical and working order, ordinary wear and tear excepted. In performing maintenance and repair, the Lessee shall maintain the Equipment at a level as performed by the Lessee for other similar equipment owned or leased by the Lessee and as is customary in the railroad industry and in compliance with all requirements of law, governmental regulation and the AAR. Lessee shall keep the Equipment affixed to flatcars at all times unless removal is required by Lessor under the terms of this Lease.

9. Delivery, Acceptance and Payment of Lessor's Cost.

(a) The Lessor hereby appoints the Lessee its agent for inspection and acceptance of the Equipment. Upon delivery of each Item of Equipment, the Lessee will cause an employee of the Lessee to inspect the same and, if such Item of Equipment is found to be acceptable, to accept delivery of such Item of Equipment and such date of acceptance shall be the "Acceptance Date" for such Item of Equipment and the Lessee shall execute and deliver to the Lessor on or before the Closing Date (defined below) for such Item of Equipment the Certificate of Inspection and Acceptance whereupon such Item of Equipment shall be deemed

to have been delivered to and accepted by the Lessee hereunder on the Acceptance Date and shall be subject thereafter to all the terms and conditions of this Lease. Prior to execution of each Certificate of Inspection and Acceptance the Lessee shall have made at its expense all necessary inspections and tests of each Item of Equipment referred to therein, to determine whether such Item of Equipment conforms to the Lessee's specifications. Each Item of Equipment that appears on a Certificate of Inspection and Acceptance, as between Lessee and Lessor, shall be deemed to conform to the Lessee's specifications, shall be deemed to be in good condition and without defects and shall be deemed to be an Item of Equipment subject to the terms of this Lease. "Closing Date" is any date that the Lessor makes a payment for any Item of Equipment.

On each Acceptance Date title to each Item of Equipment so accepted by the Lessee shall be deemed to have been transferred to and accepted by the Lessor (and such Item of Equipment shall be deemed accepted by the Lessee under this Lease) and shall be an Item of Equipment leased to the Lessee pursuant to this Lease and the Lessor shall thereupon be unconditionally obligated to pay to the Lessee, on the applicable Closing Date, and upon receipt of the notice and other documents specified in Section 9(b) hereof, the Lessor's Cost of each such Item of Equipment.

(b) The Lessee shall deliver to the Lessor a written notice of a proposed Closing Date with respect to one or more Items of Equipment theretofore accepted by the Lessor hereunder

for which no Closing Date has previously occurred (or, if a Closing Date has previously occurred, for which one or more additional items of Lessor's Cost with respect thereto are due and payable). Such notice shall be given at least five (5) Business Days prior to the Closing Date specified therein, shall identify in reasonable detail all Items of Equipment or part thereof, the Lessor's Cost of which is to be paid on such Closing Date, shall specify each item of said Lessor's Cost and contain the name, address and place of payment of each Vendor of each Item of Equipment and shall be accompanied by (i) a full warranty bill of sale, substantially in the form of Exhibit "B" hereto, in favor of the Lessor with respect to each such Item of Equipment, dated the Acceptance Date thereof, (ii) an opinion of counsel to the Lessee substantially in the form of Exhibit "C" hereto, (iii) an invoice for each such Item of Equipment showing in reasonable detail all items of the Lessor's Cost thereof and (iv) a Certificate of Inspection and Acceptance, substantially in the form of Exhibit "A" hereto dated the Acceptance Date, covering all such Items and specifying the Acceptance Date of each such Item of Equipment.

While it is contemplated that there shall be only one closing under this Lease, there shall be no more than two closings under this Lease the last of which shall be no later than September 30, 1994 unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by the Lessee and the Lessor.

10. Inspection; Lessee Reports. The Lessor shall at all times during normal business hours have upon prior written notice

to the Lessee's Vice President-Finance the right to reasonably enter the premises of the Lessee or any sublessee where the Equipment may be located for the purpose of inspecting and examining the condition, use, and operation of the Equipment to ensure compliance by the Lessee with its obligations hereunder, provided, that the Lessor shall have no duty to inspect and shall not incur any liability or obligation by reason of not making any such inspection.

The Lessee shall furnish the Lessor (i) within 45 days after the end of each of the first three fiscal quarters of each fiscal year, the unaudited quarterly, and within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year, the audited annual consolidated statement of income and expenses and consolidated balance sheet of the Lessee and its subsidiaries, such audited annual financial statements to be certified to by the Lessee's independent certified public accountants; (ii) the Lessee Parent's annual form 10-K to the Securities and Exchange Commission and (iii) within 120 days after the close of each fiscal year of the Lessee after the date hereof, a certificate of an authorized officer of the Lessee stating that he has reviewed the activities of the Lessee and that, to the best of his knowledge, there exists no Event of Default, as such term is defined in this Lease, and no event which with the giving of notice or the lapse of time, or both, would become an Event of Default. Further, the Lessee agrees to furnish the Lessor from time to time such other schedules, certificates and reports in such form and detail as the Lessor may reasonably request.

11. Warranties. THE LESSOR IS NOT A MANUFACTURER OF THE EQUIPMENT OR A DEALER IN SIMILAR EQUIPMENT AND HAS NOT INSPECTED THE EQUIPMENT PRIOR TO DELIVERY TO AND ACCEPTANCE BY THE LESSEE. THE LESSOR HAS NOT MADE AND DOES NOT MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO TITLE, CONDITION, COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS, QUALITY, DURABILITY, SUITABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR USE OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR ANY OTHER WARRANTY WHATSOEVER, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WITH RESPECT TO THE EQUIPMENT, AND FURTHERMORE SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO LESSEE FOR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES FOR ANY ACT, NEGLIGENCE, OMISSION, BREACH OR DEFAULT OF LESSOR WITH RESPECT TO OPERATION OR USE OF THE EQUIPMENT. THE EQUIPMENT IS LEASED HEREUNDER BY THE LESSOR "AS-IS".

The Lessor hereby represents to the Lessee that the Lessor has the full right and authority to enter into this Lease on the terms herein stated, and that, conditioned upon the Lessee performing all of the terms, covenants and conditions hereof, the Lessor, its successors and assigns will not disturb the Lessee's peaceable and quiet possession and use of the Equipment during the Term of this Lease, provided that no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing.

So long as and only so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Lessor hereby authorizes the Lessee during the Term of this Lease to assert for the Lessor's account all of its right, title and interest in, under and to any warranty in respect of the Equipment issued by the manufacturer thereof, and agrees to execute and deliver such further

instruments as may be reasonably necessary to enable the Lessee to enforce such warranty. All claims or actions on any warranty shall be made or prosecuted by the Lessee, at its sole cost and expense, and the Lessor shall have no obligation whatsoever to make any claim on such warranty. Any recovery under such a warranty shall be applied first to restore the Equipment; second, to pay the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses the Lessee incurs in enforcing such warranty claim; and third, to pay any balance to the Lessor. The Lessor further authorizes Lessee to obtain whatever service to the Equipment the manufacturer or Vendor customarily renders, provided that no such service shall be at the cost or expense of the Lessor.

12. Insurance. Throughout the Term of this Lease, the Lessee at its own expense shall carry and maintain public liability and property damage insurance (with customary deductibles) as is customary in the railroad industry, but in any case coverage shall be no less than that maintained by the Lessee on similar equipment owned or leased by the Lessee. The Lessor shall be named as an additional insured, as its interests may appear, under the Lessee's policy, as evidenced by a certificate or verification of insurance prepared by the Lessee's independent insurance broker and delivered to the Lessor before the acceptance of the first Item of Equipment. Such certificate or verification shall provide that coverage shall not be cancelled or materially adversely modified without thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Lessee. Promptly upon receipt by the Lessee of any notice of cancellation, the Lessee shall notify the

Lessor of such cancellation. The Lessee's obligation to keep the Equipment insured as provided herein shall continue until the Equipment is returned to the Lessor pursuant to provisions hereof.

The Lessee shall furnish the Lessor with a certificate or verification of insurance prepared and signed by the Lessee's insurance broker evidencing such insurance prior to the acceptance of the first Item of Equipment and annually thereafter within thirty (30) days of renewal beginning in 1995.

If the Lessor shall receive any property insurance proceeds or condemnation payments in respect of an Item of Equipment suffering an Event of Loss, the Lessor shall, subject to the Lessee's having made payment of the Rental and Stipulated Loss Value, as herein defined, in respect of such Item of Equipment and provided no Event of Default (or other event which after notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default) shall have occurred and be continuing, pay such proceeds or condemnation payments to the Lessee up to an amount equal to the Stipulated Loss Value with respect to an Item of Equipment paid by the Lessee and any balance of such proceeds or condemnation payments shall remain the property of the Lessor. Provided no Event of Default (or other event which after notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default) shall have occurred and be continuing, all insurance proceeds received by the Lessor from the Lessee's property insurance coverage in respect of an Item of Equipment not suffering an Event of Loss shall be paid to the Lessee upon proof satisfactory to the Lessor

that any damage to such Item of Equipment in respect of which such proceeds were paid has been fully repaired so as to comply with Section 8 of this Lease.

13. Stipulated Loss Value, Risk, Event of Loss, Condemnation. For purposes of this Lease the stipulated loss value (the "Stipulated Loss Value") for an Item of Equipment as of any date of computation shall be the product of (x) the Cost paid by the Lessor for such Item of Equipment and (y) that Stipulated Loss Value percentage set forth in the Schedule of Stipulated Loss Values attached hereto as Schedule "B" and hereby made a part hereof opposite the applicable Rental Payment Date with respect to such Item of Equipment.

(a) Risk: Commencing on the Interim Lease Commencement Date and continuing until the expiration of the Term of this Lease (which includes the storage period as provided for in Sections 15 and 18) and the return by the Lessee of the Equipment to the Lessor pursuant to the provisions hereof, Lessee assumes the entire risk of any Event of Loss (as defined below) and no such Event of Loss shall relieve the Lessee of any of its obligations hereunder.

(b) Definition - Event of Loss: For purposes of this Section an Event of Loss with respect to an Item of Equipment shall mean any of the following events: (i) the actual or constructive total loss of such Item of Equipment; or (ii) such Item of Equipment shall become lost, stolen, destroyed, damaged beyond repair or permanently rendered unfit for its intended use for any reason whatsoever so that Lessee will lose the use

thereof for a period of 60 days; or (iii) the condemnation, confiscation or seizure of, or requisition of title to or use of, such Item of Equipment (a "Condemnation") by a foreign government for a period of 180 days or by the U. S. Government for a period of one (1) consecutive year from the date of such Condemnation or through the end of the Lease Term, whichever is less; or (iv) the termination, for any reason whatsoever, of this Lease by operation of law.

(c) Deprivation Constituting an Event of Loss: Upon the Lessee's determination that an Event of Loss has occurred, the Lessee shall pay or cause to be paid to the Lessor, on the next succeeding Rental Payment Date, in immediately available funds, the Stipulated Loss Value, as applicable, for such Item of Equipment as of such Rental Payment Date. At such time as the Lessor has received the above payment, the obligation of the Lessee to pay Rental hereunder with respect to such Item of Equipment shall terminate and, the Lessor will transfer to the Lessee, without recourse or warranty, "as is, where is", all of the Lessor's right, title and interest, in and to the Item of Equipment with respect to which such Event of Loss occurred.

(d) Deprivation Not Constituting an Event of Loss: In the event of damage to any Item of Equipment not constituting an Event of Loss, the Lessee shall remain obligated to make all payments of Rental and other amounts due with respect to such Item of Equipment which may become due hereunder in the same manner as if such damage had not occurred. The Lessee shall repair and restore such Item of Equipment with new and unused

components or with used components equivalent to those replaced prior to such damage to the condition it was in immediately prior to the occurrence which caused the need for such repair or restoration (assuming such Item of Equipment was maintained in accordance with the terms of this Lease). So long as no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, all payments from insurance proceeds or otherwise with respect to any such damage shall be used to reimburse the Lessee for its out-of-pocket expenses upon receipt by the Lessor of satisfactory evidence that the Lessee has repaired such Item of Equipment. Should an Event of Default have occurred and be continuing, all such payments shall be paid over to and retained by the Lessor until such Event of Default has been cured or waived.

(e) The Lessor hereby appoints the Lessee its agent and Lessee hereby agrees to act as agent to dispose of any Item of Equipment suffering an Event of Loss, or any component thereof, at the best price obtainable on an "as is, where is" basis and the Lessee shall notify the Lessor prior to any such sale; provided, however, that if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, Lessor may revoke such agency. Provided that the Lessee has previously paid the Stipulated Loss Value to the Lessor and provided no Event of Default (or other event which after notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default) shall have occurred and be continuing, the Lessee shall be entitled to the proceeds of such sale to the extent they do not exceed the Stipulated Loss Value of such Item of Equipment plus the Lessee's out-of-pocket expenses in connection with such

sale and shall pay any excess to the Lessor. The Lessee will initially pay all costs and expenses in connection with the sale of any Item of Equipment pursuant to an Event of Loss.

14. Indemnity. The Lessee agrees to defend at its own cost and to indemnify and hold harmless the Lessor, its successors and assigns, and their respective agents and employees, from and against any and all losses, claims, costs, expenses, (including attorneys' fees) damages and liabilities (including those for strict liability in tort), however caused by or resulting directly or indirectly in any manner from: the issuance of Lessor's purchase order; patent infringements, assignment of the Lessee's purchase order or agreement to purchase; the Lessee's failure, delay or refusal to accept delivery; the lease, ownership, purchase, possession, return, disposition, use, condition (including without limitation latent or other defects whether or not discoverable) or operation of the Equipment; or the performance of this Lease (including without limitation such losses, claims, costs, expenses, damages and liabilities arising from the death or injury to agents or employees of the Lessee or the Lessor or any third person, or damage to the property of the Lessee or the Lessor, their agents or employees, or any third person) except for such damages, losses, expenses or liabilities arising out of the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Lessor, its agents or employees.

This indemnification shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Lease and is for the benefit of and is enforceable by the Lessor, its successors and assigns, and their

respective agents and employees. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Lease to the contrary, the Lessee expressly does not assume any liabilities or obligations, nor shall the Lessee be required to pay, satisfy or discharge any claims, liens, charges or encumbrances, nor shall Lessee have any obligation to indemnify and save harmless the Lessor or any other person from and against any claim (except a claim arising out of a delay or refusal to accept delivery), lien, charge or encumbrance if such claim (except a claim arising out of a delay or refusal to accept delivery), lien, charge or encumbrance arose after redelivery to the Lessor or arose out of, or relates to, any failure of the Lessor or any successor to perform its obligations under this Lease or any claim asserted by any person having an interest in or claim against the Lessor or the Equipment not arising out of the Lessee's or any sublessee's use, possession, operation or disposition of the Equipment.

15. Early Buyout and Purchase Options and Return of Equipment. Provided that no Event of Default or event which with the passage of time or giving of notice would constitute an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing hereunder, (i) the Lessee shall have the right to purchase all but not less than all of the Equipment on February 8, 2007 for 48.828016% of the Total Cost of the remaining Equipment and (ii) at the expiration of the Basic Lease Term, upon sixty (60) days delivered written notice, prior to the expiration of the Base Lease Term, the Lessee shall have the right to purchase not less than all of the Equipment at a price equal to thirty percent (30%) of the Total

Cost of the remaining Equipment "as is, where is" without any representation or warranty other than Lessor's warranty that the Equipment is not subject to any liens resulting from acts or failures to act on the part of Lessor. Upon the expiration of this Lease or termination of this Lease other than through an Event of Default with respect to the Items of Equipment, the Lessee, at its own risk and expense, will return such Equipment then subject to this Lease to the Lessor pursuant to the Lessor's instructions to not more than three (3) locations east of the Missouri River on the Lessee's lines of railroad designated by the Lessor and reasonably acceptable to the Lessee within thirty (30) days following receipt of the Lessor's instructions. Such Equipment, upon redelivery pursuant hereto, shall be free and clear of all mortgages, liens, security interests, charges, encumbrances and claims; provided however, Lessee has no responsibility to clear any mortgages, liens, security interests, charges, encumbrances or claims created by, through or under the Lessor.

Upon return of each Item of Equipment, if the Lessor shall so require, the Lessee will provide free storage and insurance for such Item for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days from the last day of any Term therefor (the "Storage Period") and transport the same, at any time within the Storage Period, but not more than one time, to not more than three locations designated by Lessor east of the Missouri on Lessee's lines, such movement to be at Lessee's expense. In the event that any Item of Equipment shall suffer a loss during such Storage Period, the

Lessee shall pay the Lessor the Stipulated Loss Value thereof as provided for in Section 13 hereof, provided however, Lessee shall have no obligation to pay Lessor the Stipulated Loss Value for Equipment which suffers a loss while being operated or inspected by Lessor or its agents during the Storage Period.

At the expiration of the Storage Period the Lessor will pay to the Lessee for storage a reasonable daily storage rate for each Item of Equipment being so stored beginning the first day after such Storage Period and the Lessor shall use its best efforts to remove such stored Equipment from the Lessee's premises as soon as possible. After the free storage period Lessee shall not be liable for the injury to or death of any person or for any property damage to any Item of Equipment or any other property and Lessor shall indemnify and hold harmless Lessee from any and all such liability, loss and/or damage Lessee may sustain as a result of the failure of Lessor to remove the Equipment from Lessee's property after the ninety (90) day storage period.

At the time of the return of such Equipment upon the expiration of this Lease or termination of this Lease other than through an Event of Default, there shall be a joint inspection of each Item of Equipment by representatives of both the Lessor and the Lessee and if the parties cannot agree as to compliance with the conditions hereinafter described, a mutually acceptable independent appraiser shall be appointed by the Lessor to inspect each Item of Equipment in dispute for the purpose of determining the repairs, additions or replacements, if any, which are

necessary to place each such Item of Equipment in dispute in the condition hereinafter described. The cost of such independent appraisal shall be born equally by the Lessor and the Lessee.

At the time of return, the Items of Equipment shall be in the condition and state of repair required to be maintained under Section 8 hereof unless the Items are removed from the flatcars, pursuant to the Lessor's request under this Section 15, subparagraph (a) in which even the provisions of Section 8 shall not apply.

The Lessee shall be solely responsible for paying for all repairs, replacements and additions required as a consequence of such inspection; which repairs, replacements and additions shall be effectuated as quickly as possible.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, commencing on the expiration of the Lease Term and throughout the Lessor's Storage Period the Lessee shall provide the Lessor, or any person designated by it, reasonable access to such Equipment and will allow the Lessor to display the Equipment to any authorized representative or representatives of prospective purchasers or lessees of such Equipment, so long as the Lessor, and designated person, such representative, such purchaser or such lessee shall prior to such access satisfy the same inspection requirements required of Lessor in the first paragraph of Section 10 hereof. The return, removal, delivery, storage and transporting of the Equipment as provided, in this Lease, including without limitation, this Section 15, are of the essence of the Lease, and upon application to any court of equity

having jurisdiction in the premises the Lessor shall be entitled to a decree against the Lessee requiring specific performance of the covenants of the Lessee so to assemble, deliver, store and transport the Equipment.

If the Lessee shall not purchase the Equipment pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in Section 15 or renew the Lease pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in Section 2 then the lessee shall notify the Lessor in writing not less than 240 days before the expiration of the Base Lease Term and not less than 240 days prior to the expiration of any Renewal Term of its intent to return the Equipment and, the Lessor shall have the following options which will be exercised with at least sixty (60) days written notice prior to the expiration of the Base Lease Term or Renewal Term:

(a) Require the Lessee to (i) remove the Equipment from the flatcars (ii) deliver the Equipment to a facility on Lessee's railroad system for removal of the Equipment from the flatcar by a third party or (iii) deliver the Equipment to any interchange point on Lessee's railroad system, in each case at Lessee's expense and risk. During the period of time necessary for removal of the Equipment, the cost of removal of the Equipment from the flatcars and all related expenses (flatcar rental, insurance, transportation charges on Lessee's railroad system, etc.) shall be the Lessee's responsibility. The Equipment shall be removed from the flatcars by the Lessee or applicable third party, at the Lessee's expense, on or before the expiration of the Lease Term. Items of Equipment returned to the

Lessor under this option shall not be required to be in the condition required by Section 8.

(b) Require the Lessee to return the Equipment attached to the flatcars. During the Storage Period, if any, under this option the Lessor shall be responsible for all rents, including but not limited to TTX Company rental due on the subject flatcars pursuant to the flatcar leases from and after the date each flatcar is delivered to the storage tracks. If the Lessor requests and provides funds, the Lessee shall continue to make the subject flatcar rent payments to TTX Company on Lessor's behalf during the Storage Period, or if the Lessor requests, the Lessee shall assign whatever rights it has to the subject flatcars to another Class I railroad. Each Item of Equipment returned to the Lessor pursuant to this subparagraph shall (i) be in the condition required by Section 8 hereof, and (ii) upon the return of the Equipment at the end of the Base Lease Term (but not a Renewal Term), each Item of Equipment shall have at least two years remaining prior to the next required recertification, provided that AAR regulations governing this have not changed, provided further that should such regulations change, the Lessee will use its best efforts to maximize the remaining recertification life, so long as such efforts constitute reasonable business practices.

Until the Equipment is returned to the Lessor as required in (a) and (b) above, all of the provisions of this Lease with respect to Equipment not returned in accordance with this Lease shall continue in full force and effect, and the

Lessee shall be deemed to continue to lease the Equipment on a month-to-month basis at the same amount of Base Rent or renewal rent (prorated for monthly payments on the last day of the month), as the case may be, then in effect.

16. Default, Remedies, Damages.

(a) Defaults: The following events shall constitute Events of Default:

(1) The Lessee shall fail to make any payment to the Lessor when due under this Lease and such failure to pay shall continue for a period of five (5) or more Business Days after receipt of written notice of such failure is received by the Lessee; or

(2) The Lessee shall fail to perform or observe any other material covenant, condition, or agreement to be performed or observed by it hereunder and such failure shall continue unremedied for a period of thirty (30) days after Lessee's receipt of written notice from the Lessor; or

(3) Any material representation or warranty made by the Lessee herein or in any document or certificate furnished the Lessor in connection herewith shall prove to be false in any respect at the time it was made and such representation or warranty shall continue to be false at the time notice thereof is given from Lessor to Lessee and Lessee fails to remedy all material damages incurred by Lessor primarily as a result of such misrepresentation within thirty (30) days after receipt of such written notice; or

(4) A petition for reorganization under Title 11 of the United States Code, as now constituted or as may hereafter be amended, shall be filed by or against the Lessee and, unless such petition shall have been dismissed, nullified, stayed or otherwise rendered ineffective (but then only so long as such stay shall continue in force or such ineffectiveness shall continue), all the obligations of the Lessee under this Lease shall not have been and shall not continue to have been duly assumed in writing, pursuant to a court order or decree, by a trustee or trustees appointed (whether or not subject to ratification) in such proceedings in such manner that such obligations shall have the same status as expenses of administration and obligations incurred by such trustee or trustees, within 60 days after such petition shall have been filed and otherwise in accordance with the provisions of 11 U.S.C. § 1168, or any successor provision, as the same may hereafter be amended; or

(5) Any other proceeding shall be commenced by or against the Lessee for any relief which includes, or might result in, any modification of the obligations of the Lessee hereunder, under any bankruptcy or insolvency laws, or laws relating to the relief of debtors, readjustments of indebtedness, reorganizations, arrangements, compositions or extensions (other than a law which does not permit any readjustments of the obligations of the Lessee hereunder), and, unless such proceedings shall have been dismissed, nullified, stayed or otherwise rendered ineffective (but then only so long as such

stay shall continue in force or such ineffectiveness shall continue), all the obligations of the Lessee under this Lease shall not have been and shall not continue to have been duly assumed in writing pursuant to a court order or decree, by a trustee or trustees or receiver or receivers appointed (whether or not subject to ratification) for the Lessee, or for the property of the Lessee, in connection with any such proceedings in such manner that such obligations shall have the same status as expenses of administration and obligations incurred by such trustee or trustees or receiver or receivers, within 60 days after such proceedings shall have been commenced;

(6) The merger, consolidation, reorganization, conversion to another entity unless (a) the successor corporation is a Class I railroad and (2) such Class I railroad will have a tangible net worth of not less than the tangible net worth of the Lessee immediately before the merger, consolidation, reorganization, or conversion to another entity.

(b) Remedies: Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default and at any time thereafter so long as the same shall be continuing, the Lessor, at its option, may, in addition to any other rights it may have under the law, declare this Lease in default and the Lessor may do one or more of the following with respect to the Equipment or any Item of Equipment as Lessor in its sole discretion shall elect, to the extent permitted and subject to compliance with any mandatory requirements of applicable law:

(1) Proceed by appropriate court action or actions either at law or in equity, to enforce performance by the Lessee of the applicable covenants of this Lease and to recover damages for the breach thereof;

(2) Repossess with or without notice and sue for the Rentals due hereunder as they accrue without notice and at the Lessee's costs and expenses;

(3) Repossess and without terminating the Lease hold the Item of Equipment until the Lessee shall have complied with all obligations under the Lease;

(4) Repossess with or without notice and sell, relet, use, hold or otherwise dispose of the Item of Equipment;

(5) With or without repossessing, declare all unpaid Rentals immediately due and payable;

(6) Repossess and terminate the Lease; and

(7) Require the Lessee at its expense to assemble the Equipment and make it available to the Lessor within 30 days at a place on Lessee's lines, to be designated by the Lessor, which is reasonably convenient to both parties.

In repossessing any of the Equipment or any part thereof pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the Lessor may enter upon any premises where such Equipment may then be at any time, wherever the same may be, with or without process of law and without being responsible for loss or damage. Lessee, in the Event of a Default hereunder and a decision by Lessor to repossess the Equipment, agrees that: i) to the extent permitted by applicable law, regulation and existing contracts, Lessee

shall assign to the Lessor or other assignee acceptable to the Lessor all of its lease rights in and to the flatcars on which the Equipment rests, ii) Lessee shall use its best efforts to acquire the consent of the lessor or owner of the flatcars to such assignment to Lessor or other assignee acceptable to the Lessor, iii) Lessee shall, as promptly as possible, but in any event within 30 days, collect all of the Equipment at a reasonable storage place on Lessee's lines for the Lessor and take all other actions required by subsection (f) and, iv) Lessee shall, upon demand of the Lessor, have the Equipment removed from the flatcars to which they are attached at Lessee's expense as soon as practicable. In addition, should Lessor not be receiving rental payments hereunder, Lessee agrees that it shall, to the full extent permitted by law and under applicable agreements, assign to the Lessor all of its rights in and to per diem or other payments accruing after termination of the Lease with respect to the Equipment.

(c) Damages: The Lessor and the Lessee agree that the measure of damages is impossible to determine in the absence of prior agreement. Therefore, the parties agree that as damages for the loss of a bargain, and not as a penalty, in the case of an Event of Default, Lessor shall be entitled to:

(1) receive from the Lessee, immediately upon demand, as liquidated damages for loss of bargain and not as a penalty, the Stipulated Loss Value shown on Schedule "B" hereto, plus any Rentals then due and owing as of the next Rental Payment

Date immediately succeeding the declaration of an Event of Default which has not been cured or waived;

(2) sell any or all of the Items of Equipment for which the Stipulated Loss Value has been paid by the Lessee to the Lessor and reimburse Lessee in the amount of Net Proceeds of Sale (defined below) up to the amount of the Stipulated Loss Value paid by Lessee, with the excess of such Net Proceeds of Sale over the Stipulated Loss Value being retained by Lessor. Net Proceeds of Sale shall mean the consideration received by the Lessor upon sale of an Item of Equipment less all expenses associated directly or indirectly with sale including but not limited to refurbishing, repair, advertising, freight or financing costs;

(3) at Lessor's option, permit the Lessee to use its best efforts to obtain an alternate lessee for the remaining Term of the Lease under this Lease. Rentals received by Lessor, net of Lessor's administrative or other costs, shall be turned over to the Lessee until the total of such rentals equals the amount of Stipulated Loss Value previously paid in (i) above by Lessee to the Lessor.

(d) Each and every power and remedy herein specifically given to the Lessor, shall be in addition to every other power and remedy specifically so given or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity, and each and every power or remedy may be exercised from time to time or simultaneously and so often and in such order as may be deemed expedient by the Lessor. All such powers and remedies shall be cumulative to the extent

permitted by applicable law, and the exercise of one shall not be deemed a waiver of the right to exercise any other or others. No delay or omission of the Lessor in the exercise of any such power or remedy and no renewal or extension of any payments due hereunder shall impair any such power or remedy or shall be construed to be a waiver of any default or an acquiescence therein. In the event that the Lessor shall bring any suit or action to enforce any of its rights hereunder, then in such suit or action the Lessor may recover reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, and the amount thereof shall be included in such judgment.

(e) The Lessee hereby appoints the Lessor, the Lessee's irrevocable agent and attorney-in-fact to execute all documents deemed necessary to release, terminate and void the Lessee's interest in the Equipment and to file said documents for recordation with appropriate agencies provided that an Event of Default has occurred and the Lessor in its discretion deems use of this agency necessary to effect any remedy the Lessor chooses to take.

(f) If the Lessor or any assignee of the Lessor, pursuant to this Section, shall terminate this Lease, the Lessee shall forthwith deliver possession of the Equipment to the Lessor. For the purpose of delivering possession of the Equipment to the Lessor as above required, the Lessee shall at its own cost, expense and risk (except as hereinafter stated):

(1) Forthwith place such Equipment as is affixed to flatcars in such reasonable storage place(s) on

Lessee's lines as the Lessor may designate or, in the absence of such designation, as the Lessee may select;

(2) Permit the Lessor to store such Equipment as is affixed to flatcars in such reasonable storage place(s) on the Lessee's lines of railroad without charge for insurance, rent or storage until 120 days after notice from the Lessee that all of the Equipment has been placed in storage; and

(3) Transport the Equipment to any reasonable place on Lessee's lines, all as the Lessor may direct in writing.

17. Assignment by Lessee. The Lessee shall not transfer, assign, pledge or hypothecate this Lease, the Equipment or any part thereof or any interest therein, without the prior written consent of the Lessor except that, subject to the net worth limitation below, Lessee may assign or transfer its interest in the Equipment or possession of the Equipment to any corporation (which shall have duly assumed in writing satisfactory to the Lessor the obligations hereunder of the Lessee) into or with which the Lessee shall have become merged or consolidated or which shall have acquired or leased all or substantially all of the lines of railroad of the Lessee, provided that such assignees, successors or transferees will not, upon the effectiveness of such merger or consolidation or acquisition of properties, be in default under any provision of this Lease and that such merger or consolidation or acquisition of properties shall not alter in any way the Lessee's obligations to the Lessor

hereunder which shall be and remain those of a principal and not a surety. Notwithstanding the above, Lessor's written consent shall be required if the surviving entity into which Lessee is to be merged, consolidated, or to which Lessee will transfer substantially all of its assets will not have a net worth after the merger, consolidation, or transfer, equal to or greater than that of the Lessee immediately prior to the merger, consolidation or transfer. The Lessee agrees to give the Lessor prior written notice of any such merger, consolidation or acquisition. Consent to any of the foregoing acts shall not be deemed to be consent to any subsequent similar act.

18. Assignment by Lessor. The Lessor, or any assignee of the Lessor, may at any time, without notice to or consent by the Lessee, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage or otherwise encumber its interest under this Lease or in the Equipment, subject to the terms of this Lease and the rights of the Lessee hereunder, and, upon receipt of written notice of any such assignment, the Lessee shall recognize such assignment subject to the rights of the Lessee against the Lessor hereunder. The Lessor may so sell, assign, transfer mortgage or otherwise encumber its interest under this Lease or in the Equipment to no more than two transferees. No assignment or reassignment shall release the Lessor from its obligations to the Lessee under this Lease which arose previous to the assignment or out of conditions existing previous to the assignment. The Lessor agrees to deliver to the Lessee a copy of each agreement evidencing any such sale, assignment, transfer, mortgage or other encumbrance, or the

portion thereof which effects compliance with the provisions of this Section 18, as soon as practicable after the execution and delivery thereof. All the rights of the Lessor hereunder shall inure to the benefit of the Lessor's assigns, but only to the extent assigned.

19. Liens. Except as otherwise expressly permitted in this Lease, the Lessee shall not directly or indirectly create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any mortgage, pledge, lien, charge, encumbrance, security interest, right or claim of any kind ("Lien") on, or with respect to, any Item of Equipment, title thereto or any interest therein, except:

(a) the respective rights of the Lessor and the Lessee under the Lease;

(b) Liens which result from claims against or acts of the Lessor not related to its interest in the Equipment;

(c) Liens for taxes either not yet due or being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings so long as such proceedings do not involve any danger of the sale, forfeiture or loss of any Item or Equipment or any interest therein;

(d) inchoate materialmen's, mechanics', workmen's, repairmen's employees' or other like Liens arising in the ordinary course of business and securing obligations which are not delinquent, or which are being contested by the Lessee in good faith and by appropriate proceedings so long as such proceedings do not involve any danger of the sale, forfeiture or loss of such Item of Equipment or any interest therein; and

(e) liens granted by Lessor to any assignee or security assignee of Lessor in connection with any financing obtained by Lessor in respect of its acquisition of the Equipment.

Nothing in this Section 19 shall be deemed to prohibit any lien attaching only to the leasehold interest of the Lessee under this Lease by reason of any future mortgage under which the Lessee is the mortgagor covering all or substantially all of the Lessee's railroad properties or the existence of any after acquired property clause in any existing mortgage to which the Lessee is the mortgagor covering all or substantially all of the Lessee's railroad properties.

The Lessee will promptly notify the Lessor in writing of the existence of any Lien not excepted above, if the same shall arise at any time, and will promptly, at the Lessee's expense, cause any such Lien to be duly discharged, dismissed and removed or fully bonded as soon as possible, but in any event within thirty (30) days after the existence of the same shall have first become known to the Lessee unless the Lessee shall in good faith and by appropriate legal proceedings contest the validity thereof in any reasonable manner which will not affect or endanger title and interest of the Lessor in the Equipment.

20. Prohibition Against Setoff Counterclaim, Etc. The Lessee's obligation to pay all amounts due hereunder shall be absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance whatever, including, without limitation (i) any setoff, counterclaim, defense, or other right which the Lessee

may have against the Lessor, (ii) any defect in the title, condition, design, operation, or fitness for use of, or any damage to or loss or destruction of, the Equipment, or any interruption or cessation in the use of possession thereof by the Lessee except for any such interruption or cessation in such use or possession caused by the gross negligence or intentional misconduct of the Lessor for any reason whatsoever, or (iii) any insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization or similar proceedings by or against the Lessee or the Lessor.

21. Representation Warranties and Covenants of Lessee.

Lessee represents, warrants and covenants: (i) that it is a duly organized corporation with necessary power and qualifications to perform this Lease, (ii) that this Lease has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Lessee and will not contravene or breach any legal, organizational or contractual regulation binding upon the Lessee, (iii) that this Lease constitutes valid, binding and enforceable obligations of the Lessee and is enforceable in accordance with its terms, (iv) except as reflected in the annual report of the Lessee's Parent to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1993 copies of which have been delivered to the Lessor, there are as of the date hereof (a) no actions at law or in equity pending which, if determined adversely, would result in any material adverse change in the Lessee's ability to carry out its obligations under this Lease; and (b) no proceedings of any kind or nature pending before a federal or state board or other administrative authority or

agency which would result in any material adverse change in the Lessee's ability to carry out its obligations under this Lease, (v) that as of the date hereof no material adverse change in the Lessee's financial condition as represented in its most recent quarterly financial statements dated as of June 30, 1994 and submitted to the Lessor has occurred, (vi) prior to the delivery and acceptance of any Item of Equipment under this Lease, this Lease will have been duly filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to Section 11303 of Title 49 of the United States Code (49 U.S.C. Section 11303) and deposited with the Registrar General of Canada (within 21 days from the execution thereof) and provision will have been made for publication of notice of such deposit in the Canada Gazette pursuant to Section 86 of the Railway Act of Canada and prior to the delivery and acceptance of any Item of Equipment under this Lease, an appropriate Uniform Commercial Code financing statement covering the Equipment will have been filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, (vii) that the Items of Equipment shall remain separate property from the flatcars to which they are attached and shall not at any time be considered fixtures permanently attached to the flatcars or the property of the owner of the flatcars, and (viii) Lessee shall promptly notify Lessor of any material change in any material representation or warranty made by Lessee hereunder throughout the term of this Lease and shall furthermore promptly notify Lessor of any Event of Default or event which with the passage of time or the giving of notice would become an Event of Default.

22. Warranties of Lessor. The Lessor warrants that during the term of this Lease, if no Event of Default has occurred, the Lessee's use of the Equipment shall not be interrupted by any act of the Lessor. The Lessor further warrants and represents that it is a limited partnership duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and not an electing small business corporation under Subchapter S of the Code, that this Lease has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Lessor and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery hereof by the Lessee, constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Lessor, enforceable against the Lessor in accordance with its terms except to the extent that enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the rights of creditors or lessors generally, and that the Lessor is not entering into this Lease or any other transaction contemplated hereby directly or indirectly in connection with any arrangement or understanding by it in any way involving any employee benefit plan (other than a governmental plan) with respect to which it is a party in interest within the meaning of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. Lessor further warrants that, except to the extent Lessor is permitted to assign hereunder, throughout the term of this Lease it shall be the sole owner of the Equipment.

23. Attorneys' Fees. Except as otherwise provided in Section 27, all fees and expenses, including legal fees incident to the preparation and execution of this Lease and the closings

hereunder, shall be payable by the party generating said fees or expenses.

24. Notices. All notices required or permitted under the terms and provisions hereof shall be in writing and addressed (i) if to the Lessee: Chicago and North Western Railway Company, One North Western Center, 165 North Canal Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606, Attention: Vice President-Finance or at such other address as the Lessee shall from time to time designate in writing to the Lessor, or (ii) if to Lessor: Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership, 10900 N.E. 4th Street, Suite 500, Bellevue, Washington 98009, Attention: Vice President - Investment Group (or at such other address as the Lessor shall from time to time designate in writing to the Lessee). All notices shall be deemed received three days after the postmark date on registered or certified mail or one day after the mailing date on express overnight deliveries or if delivered by hand or facsimile, when received.

25. Conditions Precedent.

(a) The obligations of the Lessor to purchase and lease each Item of Equipment is subject to the fulfillment of the following conditions precedent with respect to each such Item of Equipment:

(1) The completion of all necessary regulatory approvals and filings on or before each Interim Lease Commencement Date;

(2) The representations and warranties of the Lessee set forth in Section 21 shall be true and correct in all

material respects on and as of the first Interim Lease Commencement Date;

(3) As of the first Interim Lease Commencement Date no Event of Default or other event which with the giving of notice or the lapse of time, or both, would become an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing (see Exhibit "F");

(4) The Lessor shall have received for each Item of Equipment on or before the applicable Closing Date for each such Item of Equipment a Certificate of Delivery and Acceptance of the Lessee dated as of the applicable Interim Lease Commencement Date for such Item of Equipment to the effect that the Lessee has satisfied or complied with all delivery and acceptance requirements set forth in this Lease to be satisfied or complied with on or prior to such Interim Lease Commencement Date;

(5) The Lessor shall have received an opinion, addressed to the Lessor, of the Lessee's Counsel dated as of the first Interim Lease Commencement Date for the Item(s) of Equipment leased hereunder on such Interim Lease Commencement Date (subject to the usual bankruptcy laws exceptions), to the effect set forth in Items (i) through (iv) both inclusive and (vi), of Section 21 and to the further effect, if any, set forth in Exhibit "D" hereof;

(6) The Lessor shall have received for each Item of Equipment on or before the applicable Closing Date for such Item of Equipment a Bill of Sale from the Lessee of each such

Item of Equipment conveying good and valid title thereto to the Lessor.

(7) The Lessor shall have received a certificate or verification of an independent insurance broker dated on or before the first Interim Lease Commencement Date evidencing to the satisfaction of the Lessor compliance with the terms of Section 12;

(8) The Lessor shall have received on or before the first Interim Lease Commencement Date appropriate evidence satisfactory in form and content to Lessor, of authorization by Lessee of its execution, delivery and performance of this Lease, the purchase orders or purchase agreements to which the Lessee is a party and all other agreements entered into by the Lessee in connection with the transaction contemplated hereby in the form of Exhibit "E" hereto;

(9) The Lessor shall have received for the Equipment on or before the Interim Lease Commencement Date a certificate of useful life and residual value signed by an authorized officer of the Lessee in the form of Exhibit "G" hereto.

(10) On or before each Interim Lease Commencement Date, the Lessor shall have received or waived the necessity for a tax opinion of tax counsel for the Lessor satisfactory to the Lessor.

(11) On or before the first Interim Lease Commencement Date, the Lessor shall have received a copy of the

standard "non-accession" letter from Trailer Train Company with respect to the Equipment.

26. Miscellaneous. This Lease shall in all respect be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington including all matters of construction, validity, effect and performance.

No delay or omission to exercise any right, power or remedy accruing to the Lessor upon any breach or default by the Lessee under this Lease shall impair any such right, power or remedy of the Lessor, nor shall any such delay or omission be construed as a waiver of any breach or default, or of any similar breach or default thereafter occurring; nor shall any waiver of a single breach or default be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach or default; nor shall consent by the Lessor to any act of the Lessee be deemed to be consent to any subsequent similar act.

Any provision of this Lease which is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Lessee hereby waives any provision of law which renders any provision of this Lease prohibited or unenforceable in any respect. No term or provision of this Lease may be changed, waived, discharged or terminated orally, but only by an instrument in writing signed by the party against which the enforcement of the change, waiver, discharge or termination is

sought. This Lease shall constitute an agreement of lease, and nothing herein shall be construed as conveying to the Lessee any right, title or interest in any Item of Equipment except as a lessee only.

27. Recording, Registration and Filing. The Lessee shall, at its expense, accomplish all recordings, registrations and filings of this Lease, required by law to protect the Lessor's title and interests in the Equipment, and shall furnish the Lessor with evidence satisfactory to the Lessor of each such recording, registration and filing.

28. Tax Indemnity. The Lessee hereby represents to the Lessor (such term for the purpose of this Section 28 meaning the Lessor and the corporations with which the Lessor consolidates its United States federal income tax returns) that at the time the Lessor becomes the owner of the Equipment for Federal, state and local income tax purposes:

(a) at all times during the Lease Term each item of income, deduction and credit related to the Equipment will be derived from or allocable to sources within the United States;

(b) Lessee, its successors or assigns will not at any time during the Lease Term remove an Item of Equipment from the United States in such a manner or for such period as will result in such Equipment being deemed used predominantly outside the United States and Lessee shall maintain sufficient records to verify such use;

(c) Lessee will not claim that it is the owner of any Item of Equipment at any time after execution of the Lease;

(d) the Equipment is seven (7) year MACRS property.

The Lessee covenants to the Lessor and agrees that subject to the exclusions as hereinafter provided in this Section 28:

(a) it will characterize the relationship herein established as a lease and will treat it as such for all purposes;

(b) The Lessor shall have the right to utilize and to claim the modified accelerated cost recovery deductions provided by Section 168 of the Code ("MACRS Deductions") on the Equipment in the computation of Federal tax returns and reports for each year during the Term of this Lease;

(c) it shall not utilize or claim or attempt to utilize or claim MACRS Deductions for any purposes whatsoever;

(4) it will neither take any action, nor fail to take any action, which will have the result of causing the Lessor to lose or to recapture all or any part of the deductions attributable to the Equipment, or its ownership thereof.

If the Lessor shall lose, or shall not have, or shall lose the right to claim or shall suffer a disallowance of or shall be required to recapture all or any portion of the MACRS Deductions due to (i) any act or refusal to act of Lessee or of any permitted assignee or sublessee; (ii) the incorrectness of any representation warranty, or covenant made by Lessee; (iii) the sale or other disposition of any item of Equipment or of any interest of Lessor after the occurrence of an event of default under the Lease; or (iv) Lessee or its assignee or sublessee makes any non-severable improvement within the meaning of Revenue Procedure 79-48 to any item of Equipment not permitted by such

Revenue Procedure (hereinafter referred to as a "Loss"), then with respect to each Loss, the Rental applicable to each Item of Equipment shall, on and after the next succeeding Rental Payment Date, if any, after payment of the tax, penalty and interest attributable to any such Loss (or if the Lessor is not required to make payment of tax with respect to the Loss, the date on which the Lessor files its tax return for the taxable year in which such Loss occurs), be increased, by, an amount for each such Item of Equipment which, in the reasonable opinion of the Lessor, after due consultation with Lessee, will preserve for the Lessor the After Tax Economics that would have been realized by the Lessor if such Loss had not occurred in respect of such Item of Equipment under this Lease, plus the amount, if any, of interest, penalties and additions to tax payable by Lessors as a result of such event. For purposes hereof, "Lessor's after-tax rate of return" assumes a 35% Federal Income Tax Rate and Depreciation Deductions with respect to 100% of total equipment cost treated as seven (7) year property under the modified Accelerated Cost Recovery System of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986." If the date for the payment of the tax or the date of the filing of the tax return, as the case may be, is after the last Rental Payment Date, Lessee shall pay the lump sum amount determined by Lessor, and Lessee shall be permitted to contest the tax as hereinafter provided. Any refund with respect thereto shall belong to Lessee. Lessee shall indemnify Lessor against any and all taxes, assessments and other charges imposed upon Lessor under the laws of any federal, state, local or foreign

government or taxing authority, as a result of any payment made by Lessee pursuant to this Section 28.

The Lessee shall not be required to indemnify the Lessor for any Loss resulting from one or more of the following causes: (a) the failure of the Lessor (unless the Lessor shall have been advised by its tax counsel that in such tax counsel's opinion there is no reasonable basis for claiming any such deduction) to properly claim in a timely manner (including making all appropriate elections and filing all information returns required under the applicable income tax regulations) or to follow the proper procedure in claiming the MACRS Deductions or to make a timely election, if permitted by the Code, to treat any income, gain, loss, deduction or credit with respect to an Item of Equipment as derived from, or allocable to, sources within the United States, (b) the failure of the Lessor to have sufficient taxable income to benefit from the MACRS Deductions, (c) unless resulting from an act or omission of the Lessee, a transfer or disposition by the Lessor of an Item of Equipment or any interest therein or any interest in the Rentals derived therefrom or any interest in this Agreement (except a transfer or disposition after an Event of Default), or a transfer or other disposition of an Item of Equipment or any interest therein or any interest in the Rentals derived therefrom or any interest in this Agreement which results from bankruptcy or other proceedings for the relief of debtors in which the Lessor is the debtor, (d) an Event of Loss with respect to an Item of Equipment, if the Lessor shall have received the amounts stipulated in respect thereof pursuant to Section 13 hereof, (e) acts of Lessor or the failure to

contest pursuant hereto by Lessor (including, without limitation, participation in, or other arrangements with any party other than Lessor involving residual values of the Equipment, but excluding Lessor's exercise of its remedies upon an Event of Default under this Agreement), (f) the failure of the Lessor to file any required tax returns except in the event that such failure is due to the Lessee's failure to provide any required information or documentation to the Lessor, (g) an Event of Loss due to a modification in tax legislation, the Code, income tax regulations or published administrative or judicial interpretations or decisions thereunder which was not enacted on or before August 8, 1994 with an effect retroactive on or prior to the delivery and acceptance of any Item of Equipment, and/or (h) any defect in tax characteristics of the property ownership arrangements selected by the Lessor or existing for the Lessor.

Upon receipt by the Lessor of a written notification from the Internal Revenue Service of any proposed assessment or other action which would result in a Loss for which an amount may be payable by the Lessee in accordance with this Section 28 (hereinafter called a "Disallowance"), the Lessor shall promptly notify the Lessee of such Disallowance after receipt of such written notification from the applicable taxing authority and shall contest such Disallowance in any reasonable and appropriate manner, if so requested by the Lessee. The Lessor shall be under no obligation whatsoever to contest such Disallowance unless:

(a) the Lessee shall request the Lessor to contest such Disallowance within thirty (30) days after receipt by the Lessee of notice from the Lessor and within thirty (30) days

thereafter an independent tax counsel selected by the Lessor and acceptable to the Lessee shall render a written opinion that the Lessor has a reasonable basis for contesting such Disallowance; and

(b) the Lessee shall pay the Lessor on demand all reasonable costs and expenses, including, without limitation, legal fees and expenses, incurred by the Lessor in connection with contesting or determining to contest such Disallowance and, when due, all penalties and/or interest imposed in connection with such contest.

The Lessor, at its sole option, may choose to forego any and all administrative appeals, proceedings, hearings and conferences with the Internal Revenue Service in respect of such Disallowance, but shall contest the Disallowance in a court of competent jurisdiction which court shall be selected by the Lessor at its sole option and, if requested by the Lessee, shall appeal any adverse determination; provided, however, that nothing contained in this paragraph shall require the Lessor to contest any Disallowance if the Lessor shall waive the payment by the Lessee of any amount that might otherwise be payable by the Lessee under this Section 28 by way of indemnity in respect of such Disallowance.

At all stages of any contest of a Disallowance, the Lessor shall pursue the contest by any proceedings available under applicable law, regulations or court rules which in its sole discretion it determines to pursue, and shall determine in its sole discretion whether (a) to petition for a redetermination of the deficiency proposed to be assessed as a result of the

Disallowance or (b) to pay the deficiency and institute an action in a court of competent jurisdiction for a refund of taxes paid, in which case the Lessee shall pay the amount of such deficiency by adjusting the Rentals in such a manner as to allow the Lessor, in its reasonable opinion, to maintain its anticipated after-tax rate of return and total net after-tax cash flow as provided in Section 3 hereof. The Lessee shall provide counsel (selected by the Lessee) to conduct such contest, or to assist counsel of the Lessor in conducting such contest, as the Lessor in its sole discretion shall determine, it being agreed that the ultimate control of any such contest shall be in the sole discretion of the Lessor.

The Lessor shall not enter into a settlement or other compromise with respect to any Disallowance without the prior written consent of the Lessee, unless the Lessor shall waive its right to be indemnified with respect to such Disallowance under this Section 28; provided, however, that the Lessor shall not be required to appeal or otherwise seek review of any adverse decision of a court of appeal unless, in the opinion of tax counsel to the Lessor, such appeal or other action has a reasonable chance of succeeding. The liability of the Lessee for any adjustments to Rental hereunder shall become fixed at the time Lessor makes payment of the tax attributable to the Loss, or if Lessor is not required to make payment of tax with respect to the Loss, the date on which the Lessor files its tax return for the taxable year in which such Loss occurs. Notwithstanding the

foregoing, in the event that a tax contest is proceeding at the termination of this Lease, Lessee shall pay Lessor any amount which Lessee would be required to pay hereunder if such contest failed; Lessor shall, if such contest ultimately succeeds, refund any such amount at such later date. The indemnification provided herein shall survive the expiration or other termination of the Lease.

29. Lessor's Assignment of Rights Against Vendor. Upon the request of Lessee, Lessor shall, in a form to Lessee's reasonable satisfaction assign to Lessee all of its rights against the Vendor with respect to any representation or warranty made by the Vendor with respect to the Equipment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Lease to be executed by their duly authorized officers on the day and year first written above.

LESSOR: METLIFE CAPITAL,
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
BY METLIFE CAPITAL
CORPORATION, GENERAL PARTNER

By: *John Conwall*

Its: President

[Corporate Seal]

LESSEE: CHICAGO AND
NORTH WESTERN
RAILWAY COMPANY

By: *John E. Voldseth*

Its: J. E. VOLDSETH
VICE-PRESIDENT FINANCE

[Corporate Seal]

ATTEST: *Paul Gray*

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ATTEST: *K. A. [Signature]*

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS:
COUNTY OF COOK)

On this August 5, 1994, before me personally appeared J. A. Voldseth, to me personally known who signed the foregoing instrument on this day and, being by me duly sworn, says that he is a Vice President of CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY, that one of the seals affixed to the foregoing 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.



Judith A. Simon
Notary Public

[Notarial Seal]

My Commission expires: June 10, 1997

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) SS:
COUNTY OF KING)

On this August 4, 1994, before me personally appeared John R. Cornwall, to me personally known who signed the foregoing instrument on this day and, being by me duly sworn, says that he is the President of METLIFE CAPITAL CORPORATION, the sole general partner of MetLife Capital, Limited Partnership, that the foregoing 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.

Janet Sauber
Notary Public

[Notarial Seal] My Commission expires: May 12, 1998



SCHEDULE "A"

Equipment to be Leased from
Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership

DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT

Type	Model	Quantity	Lessee's Identification Numbers (1)	Cost for Each Unit
A) Fully enclosed bi-level auto racks with tie downs	Thrall AB15179	125	See Attached Schedule "A" Cont.	\$31,865

Time of Delivery: August, 1994

Place of Delivery: Proviso, Illinois

(1) There will be one sequential serial number on each rack.

SCHEDULE A Cont.

FULLY ENCLOSED BI-LEVEL AUTO RACKS

SHIPPED FOR JOB 791

<u>TIK ROAD NUMBERS</u>	<u>RACK NUMBERS</u>	<u>INSPECTION DATE</u>
983589	791000	FEB-07-1994
979032	791001	" "
978361	791002	" "
980816	791003	" "
991275	791004	" "
940911	791005	" "
982106	791007	" "
912640	791008	" "
979457	791009	" "
991417	791010	" "
971461	791011	" "
981430	791012	FEB-09-1994
971384	791013	" "
973689	791014	" "
983607	791015	" "
983716	791016	" "
983711	791025	" "
983600	791019	FEB-10-1994
971483	791020	" "
973946	791021	" "
912623	791022	" "
971114	791023	" "
971231	791024	" "
971570	791028	FEB-11-1994
973721	791030	" "
983604	791031	" "
980694	791032	" "
983605	791033	" "
973223	791034	" "
911912	791006	FEB-14-1994
941611	791017	" "
912644	791018	" "
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991228	791027	" "
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930323	791038	" "
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991743	791040	" "
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992875	791043	" "
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970378	791049	" "
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973975	791052	" "
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911159	791055	" "
983713	791056	" "
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973755	791058	" "
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982361	791060	" "
979497	791061	" "
990371	791062	" "

SCHEDULE A Cont.

974062	791063	FEB-18-1994
974403	791064	" "
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978594	791066	" "
978083	791067	" "
983714	791068	" "
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978230	791070	" "
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982030	791072	" "
982009	791073	" "
982457	791074	" "
981005	791075	" "
981117	791076	" "
980256	791077	FEB-23-1994
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981143	791079	" "
913288	791080	" "
978658	791081	" "
963701	791082	" "
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981361	791084	" "
974499	791087	" "
981320	791088	" "
970646	791089	" "
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992324	791105	" "
983598	791106	" "
912524	791107	MAR-02-1994
978840	791108	" "
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980546	791110	" "
975102	791111	" "
983715	791112	" "
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993553	791115	" "
983712	791116	" "
971767	791117	" "
983602	791118	" "
990280	791119	" "
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973475	791120	" "
983606	791121	" "
980632	791122	" "
990604	791123	" "
979892	791124	" "

TOTAL CARS 125

SCHEDULE "B"

Schedule of Stipulated Loss Values

The Stipulated Loss Value of each Item of Equipment shall be the percentage of Lessor's Cost of such Item of Equipment set forth opposite the applicable Rental Payment Date:

<u>Rental Payment Date</u>	<u>Stipulated Loss Value</u>	<u>Rental Payment Date</u>	<u>Stipulated Loss Value</u>
August 8, 1994	101.691438	November 8, 2002	83.551557
February 8, 1995	106.288368	February 8, 2003	81.842981
May 8, 1995	106.116209	May 8, 2003	80.101163
August 8, 1995	105.881838	August 8, 2003	78.341556
November 8, 1995	105.594455	November 8, 2003	76.555956
February 8, 1996	105.253270	February 8, 2004	74.743985
May 8, 1996	104.877046	May 8, 2004	72.897311
August 8, 1996	104.454500	August 8, 2004	71.031333
November 8, 1996	103.990321	November 8, 2004	69.137825
February 8, 1997	103.483889	February 8, 2005	67.216390
May 8, 1997	102.946686	May 8, 2005	65.258672
August 8, 1997	102.374294	August 8, 2005	63.280051
November 8, 1997	101.768175	November 8, 2005	61.272278
February 8, 1998	101.127830	February 8, 2006	59.234931
May 8, 1998	100.459551	May 8, 2006	57.159634
August 8, 1998	99.763804	August 8, 2006	55.061740
November 8, 1998	99.039744	November 8, 2006	52.932977
February 8, 1999	98.286957	February 8, 2007	50.772903
May 8, 1999	97.504578	May 8, 2007	48.573114
August 8, 1999	96.693052	August 8, 2007	46.348940
November 8, 1999	95.851510	November 8, 2007	44.092085
February 8, 2000	94.979513	February 8, 2008	41.802079
May 8, 2000	94.076171	May 8, 2008	39.470496
August 8, 2000	93.141904	August 8, 2008	37.112639
November 8, 2000	92.175817	November 8, 2008	34.720186
February 8, 2001	91.177443	February 8, 2009	32.292640
May 8, 2001	90.151878	May 8, 2009	29.821549
August 8, 2001	89.105669	August 8, 2009	27.322222
November 8, 2001	88.035048	November 8, 2009	24.786342
February 8, 2002	86.939661	February 8, 2010	22.213320
May 8, 2002	85.822444	May 8, 2010	19.604297
August 8, 2002	84.696778		

Rentals are payable quarterly in advance and therefore no rentals will be payable at time of payment of Stipulated Loss Values.

EXHIBIT "A"

CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

under

EQUIPMENT LEASE dated as of August 1, 1994 (the Lease) between Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership, as lessor (the Lessor), and Chicago and North Western Railway Company, as lessee (the Lessee). All terms used herein shall have the same meanings as are ascribed to them in the Lease.

The Lessee hereby certifies that each Item of Equipment set forth and described in Schedule "A" hereto (which Schedule includes the amount of the Lessor's Cost of each such Item) has been delivered to the location indicated in Schedule "A" for each such Item, tested and inspected by Lessee, found to be in good order and accepted as an Item of Equipment under the Lease, each on the date ("Acceptance Date") indicated in Schedule "A" for such Item.

CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN
RAILWAY COMPANY,
as Lessee

By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

BILL OF SALE

_____, a corporation (hereinafter called the Seller), in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations the receipt of all of which by it is hereby acknowledged, has bargained, sold, conveyed, transferred and delivered, and by these presents does hereby bargain, sell, grant, convey, transfer and deliver unto Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership (hereinafter called the Purchaser, the following unit(s) of Equipment:

SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE "A".

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto the said Purchaser, its successors or assigns forever;

THE SELLER HEREBY WARRANTS to the Purchaser, its successors and assigns, that upon the sale hereunder of each unit of the Equipment to the Purchaser, as aforesaid, the Seller has full legal title thereto, and good and lawful right to sell same, and that title to said unit was then free of all claims, liens, encumbrances and security interests of any nature, and the Seller hereby further warrants that upon such delivery and payment by the Purchaser of the purchase price for such unit, the Purchaser will acquire legal title thereto, free of all claims, liens, encumbrances and security interests of any nature, and the Seller covenants that it will warrant and defend such title against all claims and demands whatsoever;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Seller has caused this Bill of Sale to be executed in its name by its _____, thereunto duly authorized, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and to be attested by _____, this ____ day of _____, 19____.

By: _____
(Signature)

CORPORATE SEAL

Attest:

EXHIBIT "C"

DATE: _____

Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership
10900 N.E. 4th Street, Suite 500
Bellevue, Washington 98009

Attention: Vice President - Investment Group

Gentlemen:

As counsel for _____ (the "Seller"), I am familiar with the sale to you, pursuant to the Bill of Sale dated as of _____ (the "Bill of Sale") from the Seller to you of the following unit(s) of equipment (the "Equipment"):

SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE "A".

I am of the opinion that:

1. Seller is a corporation duly organized and existing in good standing under the laws of the state of _____.
2. The Bill of Sale has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Seller, is not in conflict with the charter or by-laws of the Seller, any court or administrative decree binding upon the Seller or any agreement binding upon the Seller of which I have knowledge, and constitutes a valid, legal and binding instrument of the Seller enforceable in accordance with its terms; and
3. Such Bill of Sale is valid and effective to transfer, and does transfer, good title to the Equipment herein described to the Purchaser free and clear of all claims, liens, and encumbrances of any nature.

Attorney for

EXHIBIT "D"

(COUNSEL TO LESSEE LETTERHEAD)

Metlife Capital Limited Partnership
10900 N.E. 4th Street
Suite 500
Bellevue, Washington 98004

Attention: Vice President - Investment Group

Gentlemen:

As counsel for Chicago and North Western Railway Company, a Delaware corporation (the Lessee), I am familiar with the Equipment Lease Agreement dated as of August 1, 1994 (the Lease) between Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership (the Lessor) and the Lessee and the other documents and instruments entered into by the Lessee in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Lease; and I have examined such corporate and other documents and records and such questions of law as I have considered necessary or appropriate for purposes of this opinion. The terms used herein, unless otherwise defined, are those used in the Lease. On the basis of such examination, I advise you that in my opinion:

(a) The Lessee is a corporation duly organized and validly existing in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, is duly qualified to do business in each jurisdiction where its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business require such qualification, and has full corporate power and authority to hold property under lease and to enter into and perform its obligations under the Lease and the other documents and instruments entered into by the Lessee in connection with the transaction contemplated thereby.

(b) The execution, delivery and performance by the Lessee of the Lease and all other agreements entered into by the Lessee in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Lease have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Lessee, do not contravene any law or governmental rule, regulation or order applicable to the Lessee, do not and will not contravene any provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, contract or other instrument to Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership which the Lessee is a party or by which it is bound or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance of any nature whatsoever upon any of the Items of Equipment (as defined in the Lease) (except

for the rights and interests of Lessor therein and except that such liens may attach to the rights and interests of the Lessee under the Lease in and to the Equipment), have been duly executed and delivered by the Lessee and, assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery thereof by each other party thereto, constitute the legal, valid and binding agreement of the Lessee, enforceable in accordance with their terms (subject, as to enforcement of remedies, to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally).

(c) No consent or approval of, giving of notice to, registration with, or taking of any other action in respect of, any state, federal or other governmental authority or agency is required with respect to the execution, delivery and performance by the Lessee of the Agreements referred to in (a) and (b) above.

(d) There are no actions, suits or proceedings at law or in equity pending or, to my knowledge, threatened against or affecting the Lessee in any court or before any arbitrator or governmental commission, board or authority which, if adversely determined, will have a material adverse effect on the ability of the Lessee to perform its obligations under any of the agreements referred to in (a) above, except as set forth in the Lessee Parents' Annual Report to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 10K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1993.

(e) The General Assignment of Purchase Orders is effective to convey to the Lessor the rights and claims purported to be conveyed thereby, and is effective to retain in the Lessee such rights and duties as are purported to be retained thereunder.

(f) The Lease has been duly filed and recorded with the Interstate Commerce Commission in accordance with Section 11303(a) of Title 49, United States Code and deposited with the Registrar General of Canada (within 21 days from the execution thereof) and provision has been made for publication of notice of such deposit in the Canada Gazette pursuant to Section 86 of the Railway Act of Canada and an appropriate Uniform Commercial Code financing statement covering the Equipment has been filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Illinois.

Very truly yours,

Mack H. Shumate, Jr.
General Solicitor

CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY

ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

The undersigned certifies that she is Assistant Secretary of Chicago and North Western Railway Company (the "Company"), and that, as such, she is authorized to execute this Certificate on behalf of the Company, and, pursuant to Section 25(a)(8) of the Equipment Lease Agreement dated as of August 1, 1994 between Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership and the Company, further certifies that:

1. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true, correct and complete copy of the Certificate of Incorporation of the Company and all amendments thereto in effect on the date hereof; and said Certificate of Incorporation has not been further amended, revoked or repealed and is in full force and effect on the date hereof.

2. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a true, correct and complete copy of the By-laws of the Company in effect on the date hereof; and said By-laws have not been further amended, revoked or repealed and are in full force and effect on the date hereof.

3. Attached hereto as Exhibit C are true, correct and complete copies of the Unanimous Written Consents of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company dated as of December 8, 1993 and February 22, 1994 authorizing the actions referred to therein; said Unanimous Written Consents set forth the only resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors with respect to the matters referred to therein, which resolutions have not been in any way amended, annulled, rescinded or revoked; and all such resolutions are as of the date hereof in full force and effect.

4. The persons named in Exhibit D attached hereto are duly elected, appointed, qualified and acting officers of the Company, holding the offices in the Company indicated opposite their respective names, and have held such offices continuously since May 4, 1994 and the signatures appearing opposite their respective names are the genuine signatures (or facsimiles thereof) of such persons. The officers of the Company who executed and delivered the Participation Agreements referred to above, the Operative Agreements and any other closing or other documents pertaining thereto, have been duly authorized to execute and deliver the same

and the signatures thereon are the genuine signatures of such officers.

5. The persons names in Exhibit E attached hereto are duly authorized inspectors and representatives of the Company for the purpose of inspecting and accepting, and executing certificates with respect to the inspection and acceptance of the railroad equipment (the "Equipment") covered by the aforementioned Participation Agreements, the Operative Agreements and any closing or other documents pertaining thereto, and the signatures appearing opposite their respective names are the genuine signatures (or facsimiles thereof) of such persons.

6. No stockholder approval or approvals or consents of any trustees for, or holders of, any indebtedness or obligation of the Company are required in connection with any transactions contemplated by the Equipment Lease Agreement or any of the agreements referred to therein.

7. No proceedings for the liquidation or dissolution of the Company have been taken or are pending or contemplated.

The undersigned further certifies that capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Equipment Lease Agreement.

WITNESS the seal of the Company and the signature of the undersigned this 8th day of August, 1994.

Assistant Secretary

[CORPORATE SEAL]

I, K. A. Dombrowski, as Assistant Secretary of the Chicago and North Western Railway Company, a Delaware corporation (the Company), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the individual executing the foregoing certificate holds the office in the Company indicated below her name and that the signature of such officer appearing in such certificate is the genuine signature of such officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 8th day of August, 1994.

Assistant Secretary

EXHIBIT "F"

CERTIFICATE

I, _____, Vice President - Finance
of CHICAGO AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY (the Lessee) DO
HEREBY CERTIFY AS FOLLOWS:

No Event of Default (as defined in the Equipment Lease
Agreement dated as of August 1, 1994) or other event with which
the giving of notice or the lapse of time, or both, would become
an Event of Default, has occurred.

Vice President - Finance

DATED:

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Exhibit "G"

[DATE]

Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership
10900 N.E. 4th Street
Bellevue, WA 98004-5853

Attention: Vice President - Investment Group

Gentlemen:

I have __ years experience with the Chicago and North Western Railway Company. Presently, I am the _____ of the Chicago and North Western Railway Company. My duties have involved and currently involve the determination of the useful lives and values of railroad equipment. I am familiar with the Railroad Equipment Lease dated as of August 1, 1994, pursuant to which Metlife Capital, Limited Partnership (Lessor) will lease to Chicago and North Western Railway Company bi-level railroad auto racks. Additionally, I am familiar with the Equipment and its specifications.

I assume that the Equipment will be maintained in good operating condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted, and that the market for used equipment of this nature at the lease termination will reflect no unusual conditions of supply and demand.

Based upon my experience in the industry and my review of the specifications for the Equipment, I hereby certify that, in my opinion, each Item of Equipment will have a fair market value at the end of the original term of the Lease (such fair market value being determined without including in such value any increase or decrease for inflation or deflation during such original Lease term and determined after subtracting from such value the cost, if any, for removal and delivery of possession to Lessor at the end of such term) equal to at least twenty percent (20%) of the original cost for such Item, and each Item is estimated to have a remaining useful life at the end of the original term of the Lease equal to at least twenty percent (20%) of its originally estimated useful life.

Very truly yours,