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INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Interstate Commerce Commission
12th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

Attention: Janice Fort, Room 2311

Re: The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company (now known as Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Properties, Inc.)

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11303(a) are two original executed copies and two photostatic copies of a Partial Release of Lien, dated as of June 23, 1995, relating to a Security Agreement, dated as of October 8, 1980, from The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company to Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company ("MHTC") (the "Initial Security Agreement"), duly recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317, which Initial Security Agreement is a primary document as defined in the Commission's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

As set forth in the enclosed Partial Release of Lien, the Initial Security Agreement was amended, restated and supplemented pursuant to an Amended and Restated Security Agreement, dated as of October 15, 1980, between The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company and MHTC (the "Security Agreement"), duly recorded and filed with the Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317-B, which Security Agreement is a primary document as defined in the Commission's Rules for the Recordation of Documents. The

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Security Agreement was amended pursuant to a First Amendment to the Security Agreement, dated September 1, 1982, between The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company and MHTC ("Amendment"), duly recorded and filed with the Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317-C, which Amendment is a secondary document as defined in the Commission's Rules for the Recordation of Documents. The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company and MHTC entered into a Security Agreement dated July 1, 1983 ("Second Security Agreement"), duly recorded and filed with the Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317-D, which Second Security Agreement is a primary document as defined in the Commission's Rules for the Recordation of Documents. The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company and MHTC entered into an Amendment of Term Loan Agreement and Existing Security Agreement dated July 1, 1983 ("July 1983 Amendment"), duly recorded and filed with the Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317-E, which July 1983 Amendment is a secondary document as defined in the Commission's Rules for the Recordation of Documents. MHTC assigned its rights and interests in and to the Initial Security Agreement and to Security Agreement, as amended by the Amendment, and to the Second Security Agreement, as amended by the July 1983 Amendment, to The Connecticut National Bank, as Security Trustee, pursuant to an Assignment of Loan Agreements and Security Agreements dated as of May 1, 1985 ("Assignment"), duly recorded and filed with the Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 on June 6, 1985 under Recordation Number 12317-T, which Assignment is a secondary document as defined in the Commission's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The name and address of the party to the enclosed document is:

Shawmut Bank Connecticut, N.A. (formerly, The Connecticut National Bank), as Security Trustee
777 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06115

A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is set forth in Appendix A to the Partial Release enclosed herein.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of $21.00 payable to the order of the Interstate Commerce Commission covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return one stamped original and two stamped photostatic copies of the enclosed document and the stamped photostatic copy of this letter to Susan F. Lifvendahl at Ross & Hardies, 150 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2700, Chicago, Illinois 60601.

Following is a short summary of the enclosed document and primary documents and secondary documents to which it relates:

Document to be Recorded

Partial Release of Lien from Shawmut Bank Connecticut, N.A. (formerly, The Connecticut National Bank), as Security Trustee, dated as of June 23, 1995, releasing lien on the railcar described in Appendix A thereto.

Primary Documents to Which it Relates

Security Agreement dated October 8, 1980, between The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317.

Amended and Restated Security Agreement, dated as of October 15, 1980, between The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317-B.

Security Agreement, dated July 1, 1983, between The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317-D.

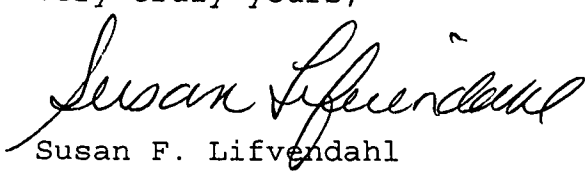
Secondary Documents to Which it Relates

First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Security Agreement, dated September 1, 1982, between The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company, and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317-C.

Amendment of Term Loan Agreement and Existing Security Agreement, dated as of July 1, 1983, between The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 under Recordation Number 12317-E.

Assignment of Loan Agreements and Security Agreements dated as of May 1, 1985 between Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company and The Connecticut National Bank, as Security Trustee, recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission on June 6, 1985 under Recordation Number 12317-T.

Very truly yours,



Susan F. Lifvendahl

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cc: Gordon E. Neuenschwander
Robert W. Kleinman
Susan G. Lichtenfeld

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PARTIAL RELEASE OF LIEN

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

WHEREAS, PITTSBURGH & LAKE ERIE PROPERTIES, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "PLE") (formerly known as The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie PLE Company, Inc.), has heretofore executed and delivered an Amended and Restated Security Agreement dated October 15, 1980 ("Security Agreement") by the PLE to Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company ("MHT"), which document was duly recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 11303 and assigned Recordation Number 12317-B; and

WHEREAS, the Security Agreement was amended pursuant to a First Amendment dated September 1, 1982, to the Security Agreement ("Amendment") by the PLE to MHT, which document was duly recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 11303 and assigned Recordation Number 12317-C;

WHEREAS, the PLE also heretofore executed a Security Agreement dated July 1, 1983 by the PLE to MHT ("Second Security Agreement"), which document was duly recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §11303 and assigned Recordation Number 12317-D;

WHEREAS, MHT, assigned all of its rights and interests in and to the Security Agreement, amended by the Amendment, and the Second Security Agreement (collectively, the "Agreements") to THE CONNECTICUT NATIONAL BANK, a national banking association, as security trustee (now known as SHAWMUT BANK CONNECTICUT, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION) (the "Security Trustee") under the Master Agreement Regarding the Restructuring of Obligations of The Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company dated as of May 1, 1985, as amended and supplemented (the "Master Agreement"), pursuant to an Assignment of Loan Agreements and Security Agreements dated as of May 1, 1985, which document was duly recorded and filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 11303 on June 6, 1985 and assigned Recordation Number 12317-T; and

WHEREAS, the PLE has requested the Security Trustee to release from the lien of the Agreements certain property hereinafter particularly described and has complied with all conditions of the Agreements and the Master Agreement precedent to such release.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Security Trustee, for and in consideration of Ten Dollars ($10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and pursuant to authority granted to the Security Trustee under the Master Agreement, does hereby RELEASE, REMISE, CONVEY AND QUIT CLAIM unto the PLE, its successors and assigns, all of the right, title, lien, interest, claim or demand whatsoever which the Security Trustee has or may have acquired under, through or by virtue of the Agreements in and to the property described in Appendix A hereto.

THIS INSTRUMENT is executed upon the express condition that nothing herein contained shall be construed to release from the lien of the Security Agreement, or to impair said lien upon any property subject thereto, except the property hereinabove specifically described.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Security Trustee has caused this instrument to be duly executed and delivered by its duly authorized officer as of the 23 day of June, 1995.

SHAWMUT BANK CONNECTICUT, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Security Trustee

By: _____

Title: Vice President

STATE OF CONNECTICUT)
) SS
COUNTY OF HARTFORD)

On this 23 day of June, 1995 before me a Notary Public, duly commissioned, qualified and acting, within and for said County and State, appeared in person the within named MICHAEL M. HOPKINS to me personally known, who stated and acknowledged that he is a Vice President of Shawmut Bank Connecticut, a national banking association, and duly authorized by authority of the board of directors or the by-laws of said association in his capacity as such officer to execute and acknowledge the foregoing instrument for and in the name and on behalf of said association and further stated and acknowledged that he has so signed, executed and delivered the foregoing instrument as the free and voluntary act and deed of said association, for the consideration, uses and purposes therein mentioned and set forth and desired that the same might be recorded as such.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 23 day of June, 1995.

Karen R. Felt
Notary Public

My commission expires:

KAREN R. FELT
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Commission Expires 02/28/99

APPENDIX A

TWENTY-ONE OPEN TOP HOPPER CARS

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PLE 63804
PLE 63866
PLE 63874
PLE 63981
PLE 64090
PLE 64112
PLE 64117
PLE 64183
PLE 64186
PLE 64211
PLE 64224