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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Re: BNSF Railway Company
Leveraged Lease Financing
BNSF 2005-U

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am enclosing for recording pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code, two original copies of the Memorandum of Lease Assignment (BNSF 2005-U), dated as of December 29, 2005, among Wells Fargo Bank Northwest, National Association, as indenture trustee (the *"Indenture Trustee"* or the *"Assignee"*), and U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as owner trustee of the BNSF 2005-U Statutory Trust (the *"Owner Trustee"* or the *"Assignor"*), a secondary document as defined in the Surface Transportation Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The enclosed document relates to the Memorandum of Equipment Lease Agreement (BNSF 2005-U), dated as of December 29, 2005, between the Owner Trustee, as Lessor, and BNSF Railway Company, as Lessee, which is being submitted for recording concurrently therewith.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are as follows:

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| Indenture Trustee and Assignee: | Wells Fargo Bank Northwest, National Association<br>299 South Main Street, 12th Floor<br>MAC: U1228-120<br>Salt Lake City Utah 84111<br>Attention: Corporate Trust Department |
| Owner Trustee and Assignor: | U.S. Bank Trust National Association<br>225 Asylum Street, 23rd Floor<br>Hartford, Connecticut 06103<br>Attention: Corporate Trust Services |

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The equipment covered as of the date hereof by the aforesaid Memorandum of Lease Assignment consists of 43 Covered Hopper Cars bearing the reporting marks within the series BNSF 482364 through BNSF 482417; all as specifically described in Exhibit A attached hereto.

A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows:

Memorandum of Lease Assignment (BNSF 2005-U) among Wells Fargo Bank Northwest, National Association, as Indenture Trustee and U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee of the BNSF 2005-U Statutory Trust.

A fee of thirty-three dollars ($33.00) is enclosed. Please time and date stamp the enclosed copy of the enclosed document along with the extra copy of this letter as proof of filing and recordation of the enclosed document and return the original and any extra copies of such document and this letter not needed by the Board for recordation to:

Robert Alvord, Esq.
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1050 Seventeenth Street, N.W.
Suite 301
Washington, D.C. 20036

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned (312-845-2991).

Sincerely,

CHAPMAN AND CUTLER LLP

By Michael D. Robson
Michael D. Robson

Enclosures

## EXHIBIT A

## UNITS

| EQUIPMENT | QUANTITY | REPORTING MARKS |
|---|---|---|
| Covered Hopper Cars | 43 | BNSF 482364 through BNSF 482371, inclusive, BNSF 482373 through BNSF 482374, inclusive, BNSF 482376 through BNSF 482378, inclusive, BNSF 482380, BNSF 482385 through BNSF 482388, inclusive, BNSF 482390 through BNSF 482393, inclusive, BNSF 482395, BNSF 482398 through BNSF 482417, inclusive |

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

**MEMORANDUM OF LEASE ASSIGNMENT**
**(BNSF 2005-U)**

Memorandum of Lease Assignment, made and entered into as of December 29, 2005, by and between U.S. Bank Trust National Association, a national banking association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee (*"Owner Trustee"*) of the BNSF 2005-U Statutory Trust, and Wells Fargo Bank Northwest, National Association, a national banking association, as Indenture Trustee (*"Indenture Trustee"*).

**WITNESSETH:**

1. The Owner Trustee and BNSF Railway Company (*"Lessee"*) have entered into an Equipment Lease Agreement (BNSF 2005-U), dated as of December 1, 2005, and Lease Supplement No. 1 thereto, dated December 29, 2005, covering certain railroad equipment bearing reporting marks as listed on Exhibit A attached hereto.

2. Memoranda of said Equipment Lease Agreement and of said Lease Supplement No. 1 were recorded with the Surface Transportation Board on December ___, 2005 at _____ _.m. and _____ _.m., respectively, under recordation numbers _____ and _____, respectively, pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code.

3. The undersigned have entered into that certain Trust Indenture and Security Agreement (BNSF 2005-U), dated as of December 1, 2005, and Trust Indenture Supplement No. 1 thereto, dated December 29, 2005, pursuant to which U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee, has assigned the aforesaid Lease Agreement, the aforesaid Lease Supplement No. 1, and the rents and other proceeds therefrom (with certain exceptions) to Wells Fargo Bank Northwest, National Association, as Indenture Trustee.

4. Memoranda of said Trust Indenture and Security Agreement and of said Trust Indenture Supplement No. 1 were recorded with the Surface Transportation Board on December ___, 2005 at _____ _.m. and _____ _.m., respectively, under recordation numbers _____ and _____, respectively, pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this Memorandum of Lease Assignment to be duly executed by their respective officers duly authorized on the date and year first above written.

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee

By _____
Name: Michael M. Hopkins
Title: Vice President

Executed on this 14th day of December, 2005.

WELLS FARGO BANK NORTHWEST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By _____
Name:
Title:

Executed on this ___ day of December, 2005.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this Memorandum of Lease Assignment to be duly executed by their respective officers duly authorized on the date and year first above written.

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee

By _____
Name:
Title:

Executed on this ___ day of December, 2005.

WELLS FARGO BANK NORTHWEST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By _____
Name: Brett R. King
Title: Vice President

Executed on this 14th day of December, 2005.

STATE OF Connecticut )
) SS.:
COUNTY OF Hartford )

On this, the 14 day of December, 2005, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Michael M. Hopkins, who being by me duly sworn, says that (s)he is the Vice President of U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, that said instrument was signed on December 14, 2005 on behalf of said association by authority of its Board of Directors, and (s)he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Susan P. McNally
Name:
Notary Public
My Commission Expires
Residing in Vernon, CT

SUSAN P. McNALLY
NOTARY PUBLIC
COMMISSION EXPIRES MARCH 31,2010

STATE OF _____ )
) SS.:
COUNTY OF _____ )

On this, the ____ day of December, 2005, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared _____, who being by me duly sworn, says that (s)he is the _____ of WELLS FARGO BANK NORTHWEST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, that said instrument was signed on December ___, 2005 on behalf of said association by authority of its Board of Directors, and (s)he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

_____
Name:
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
Residing in _____

STATE OF _____ )
) SS.:
COUNTY OF _____ )

On this, the ____ day of December, 2005, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared _____, who being by me duly sworn, says that (s)he is the _____ of U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, that said instrument was signed on December ___, 2005 on behalf of said association by authority of its Board of Directors, and (s)he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

_____
Name:
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
Residing in _____

STATE OF UTAH )
) SS.:
COUNTY OF SALT LAKE )

On this, the 14th day of December, 2005, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Brett R. King, who being by me duly sworn, says that (s)he is the Vice President of WELLS FARGO BANK NORTHWEST, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, that said instrument was signed on December 14, 2005 on behalf of said association by authority of its Board of Directors, and (s)he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

NOTARY PUBLIC
CRYSTAL L VERLEY
299 S MAIN STREET 12th FLR
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84111
My Commission Expires Nov. 18, 2008
State of Utah

_____
Name:
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
Residing in _____

## CERTIFICATION

I, Robert W. Alvord, attorney licensed to practice in the State of New York and the District of Columbia, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that I have compared the attached copy with the original thereof and have found the copy to be complete and identical in all respects to the original document.

Dated: 12/27/05

Robert W. Alvord