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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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December 29, 2000

Honorable Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
Washington, DC 20423

RECORD 17817-C

Dear Secretary Williams:

I have enclosed the original and one certified copy of the document described below, to be recorded pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 11301.

The document is a Release of Lien, a secondary document, dated December 28, 2000. The primary document to which this is connected is recorded under Recordation No. 17817. We request that one copy of this document be recorded under Recordation No. 17817-C.

The name and address of the party to the Release of Lien is:

Secured Party:

Wells Fargo Bank of Texas, N.A., formerly First Interstate Bank of Texas, N.A.  
40 NE Loop 410, Suite 301  
San Antonio, TX 78216

A description of the equipment covered by the Release of Lien consists of two SW-1200 locomotives numbered 8 and 1237.

A fee of \$26.00 is enclosed. Please return the original to:

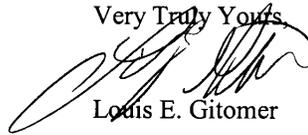
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A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows: a Release of Lien by Wells Fargo Bank of Texas, N.A., formerly First Interstate Bank of Texas, N.A., 40 NE Loop 410, Suite 301, San Antonio, TX 78216, covering two SW-1200 locomotives numbered 8 and 1237.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louis E. Gitomer", is written over the typed name.

Louis E. Gitomer

Enclosures

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RELEASE OF LIEN

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

The undersigned, Wells Fargo Bank of Texas, N.A., ("Bank"), formerly First Interstate Bank of Texas, N.A., is the Secured Party described in that certain Commercial Security Agreement dated as of May 8, 1992, executed by RailTex, Inc., a Texas corporation, amended as of February 1, 1993 and recorded at the Interstate Commerce Commission, now known as the Surface Transportation Board, under Recordation Number 17817 covering the railroad locomotives and equipment described in the Attachment.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Bank has released and discharged, and by these presents hereby terminates said Commercial Security Agreement, and releases and discharges all the property described therein from all liens held by the Bank created or described in said agreement and any renewals or extensions thereof.

Executed as of December 28, 2000.

WELLS FARGO BANK OF TEXAS, N.A., formerly  
FIRST INTERSTATE BANK OF TEXAS, N.A.

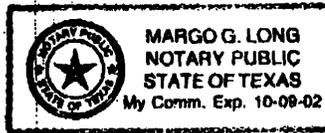
By: [Signature]  
Title: Regional Vice President

State of Texas )  
) ss.  
County of ~~Harris~~ Bexar )

On this 28 day of December, 2000, before me, Margo G. Long, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Ron E. Mercer, Jr personally known to me to be the person who executed the within instrument as RVP of Wells Fargo on behalf of the corporation therein named, and acknowledged to me that the corporation executed it.

Margo G. Long  
Notary Public for Texas

My Commission expires 10-09-02



**ATTACHMENT**

**Two SW 1200 Locomotives, numbers 8 and 1237.**

CERTIFICATION

I, Louis E. Gitomer, have compared this copy to the original Release of Lien dated as of December 28, 2000 and found the copy to be complete and identical in all respects to the original document. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



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Louis E. Gitomer  
December 29, 2000