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September 25, 2003

Mr. Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two (2) copies of a Partial Release, dated as of September 26, 2003, a secondary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The enclosed document relates to the Master Equipment Lease Agreement, as amended, which was previously filed with the Board under Recordation Number 20137.

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

Lessor: Comerica Leasing Corporation
29201 Telegraph Road
Southfield, Michigan 48034

[Lessee: Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad
Corporation
337 - 22nd Avenue South
Brookings, South Dakota 57006]

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A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document
is:

6 locomotives: DME 3830 – DME 3835

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

Partial Release.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$30.00 payable to the order of
the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of the enclosed document to the
undersigned.

Very truly yours,



Robert W. Alvord

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Enclosures

EXHIBIT A

Number of Items: 6

Description of Units: Used Model GP38-3 Locomotives with the following current railroad reporting marks:

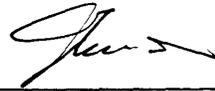
DME 3830
DME 3831
DME 3832
DME 3833
DME 3834
DME 3835

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: _____

2/26/03



Robert W. Alvord