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Chief, Section of Administration  
Office of Proceedings  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Section Chief:

Enclosed for recording with the Surface Transportation Board are one original and one counterpart of the document described below to be recorded pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the U.S. Code:

Notice of Full Release of Security Interest dated 5/20/13

Secured Party: U.S. Bank, National Association  
200 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Box 5515  
Bismarck, ND 58502

Please record this agreement as a secondary document to STB Recordation #20718. The filing fee of \$42 is enclosed. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Mary Ann Oster  
Research Consultant

NOTICE OF FULL RELEASE OF SECURITY INTEREST

The undersigned, U.S. Bank, National Association f/k/a, First Bank N.A. ("Secured Party") for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, hereby gives notice that on May 20, 2013, it terminated, released and discharged the Security Agreement dated June 10, 1997 between the Secured Party, and Northern Plains Railroad, Inc., the Borrower, referenced in the Security Agreement dated June 10, 1997, filed with the Surface Transportation Board on June 16, 1997 at 10:42 am under Recordation Number #20718. Consequently, all railroad equipment and other collateral described as being covered by the Security Agreement, as of the date of this instrument is released of record therefrom. This Notice is executed without prejudice to any representations, warranties and covenants of the parties under the Security Agreement which by their terms expressly survive the termination thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION has caused this instrument to be executed by its officer thereunto duly authorized this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

BY: *Keith A. Ulmer*  
Keith A. Ulmer  
TITLE: Vice President

State of North Dakota

County of Burleigh

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013, before me personally appeared Keith A. Ulmer to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is a duly elected \_\_\_\_\_, of U.S. Bank National Association, and that, as such, he is duly authorized to execute and deliver said instrument on behalf of said corporation, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

*Jeanette Ehli*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

(Notarial Seal)  
My Commission expires:

