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August 30, 1984 I.C.C. - Docket 30400 Sub. No. 19

Verified Statement of Frank Bailey, Jr. on behalf of Agua Dulce Grain Co., Inc.

My name is Frank Bailey, Jr. and I am president of Agua Dulce Grain Company, Inc. Agua Dulce Grain Co., Inc. is a country grain elevator which receives, stores and ships feed grains. Five of our last six years, we have shipped from a low of 42,000 to a high of 63,000 metric tonnes per year on the Texas Mexican Railroad and have found their service outstanding and their rates competitive.

I support the Texas Mexican Railway Co.'s request for trackage rights between Corpus Christi and San Antonio, Texas; this will allow them to connect with a third carrier. If the Santa Fe - Southern Pacific merger is approved, SFSP will serve every international rail gateway to Mexico except Laredo. The Texas Mexican Railway Company needs these trackage rights so the rail gateway of Laredo can become more competitive; this in turn will allow us to be more competitive in our industry.

Frank Bailey, Jr.

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TARRANT.

Frank Bailey, Jr., being duly sworn, deposes and says that he has read the foregoing statement, knows the facts asserted therein, and that the same are true as stated.

Frank Bailey, Jr.

Subcribed and sworn to before me this <u>30 th</u> day

Notary Public Public

My commission expires 12 - 22 - 84

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Subject: Finance Docket No. 30400 (Sub-No. 19)

Gentlemen:

Case Control Branch

This is to voice our support in behalf of the Texas Mexican Railway Company's (TM) efforts to be granted trackage rights between Corpus Christi and San Antonio, Texas.

To our view, in these times of mergers among large railroads to form gargantuan systems, it is important that smaller regional railroads survive and maintain their separate identities. This essential characteristic of TM is jeopardized if the Santa Fe/Southern Pacific merger comes through.

Denial of such trackage rights to TM would be detrimental to numerous shippers and consignees throughout the United States, Canada, and Mexico, who because of Laredo's strategic location, use TM through this gateway for the entry and exit of their goods. Since Laredo is currently the only USA-Mexico gateway not under SFSE control, TM can only remain competetive if it is allowed to operate between Corpus Christi and San Antonio. Otherwise, the traffic market is left solely for and to the advantage of MP and SPT/SFSP.

We are among the many who depend on TM's superior service to meet the needs of and please our myriad clients. This service has been TM's trademark consistently through the years. No large railroad conglomerate, I fear, can match TM's performance nor courteous attitude. These attributes are to the advantage of the public interest.

Please exercise good judgement in the best interests of the general public by approving TM's application unhesitatingly and with vigorous enthusiasm.

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Respect fully, Oscar J.J. Carrillo Presiden

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- cc: Rail Section Room 5417 Interstate Commerce Commission Washington, D.C. 20423
- cc: Mr. A. R. Ramos Chairman of the Board The Texas Mexican Railway Co. 1200 Washington Street P.O. Box 419 Laredo, Texas 78042-0419

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Office of the Secretary Case Control Branch Interstate Commerce Commision Washington, D.C.

Dear sirs

In relation to your desicion N° 16 in Finance Docket N° 30400 (Sub-N° 19); we would like to make some comments related to The Texas Mexican Railway Company.

For six years we have been working with this company and we -are fully satisfied with their service even in times when restriccions of importation and Railroad embargo had been imposed For our company the railroad activity in the area of Texas , Tex-Mex has been of tremendous support because of its excellent delivery time in moving our cars from our supplier to the border.

We hope that this information helps you to have a better view of what kind of service this company offers to it's customers.

Sincerely Your

Bodelfo Gamboa C. General Manager

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