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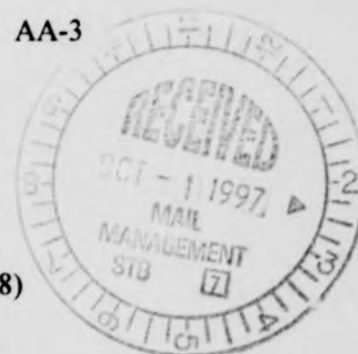
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BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

STB FINANCE DOCKET NO. 33388 (SUB-NO. 78)

ANN ARBOR RAILROAD
--TRACKAGE RIGHTS--
CONSOLIDATED RAIL CORPORATION OR CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.

ENVIRONMENTAL VERIFIED STATEMENT

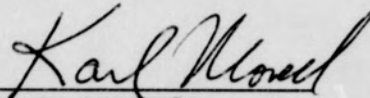
Ann Arbor Railroad ("AA"), pursuant to Decision No. 6 (served May 30, 1997) and Decision No. 38 (served September 18, 1997), hereby submits its Environmental Verified Statement.

In its Description of Anticipated Responsive Application (AA-2), AA stated that it anticipated seeking trackage rights between Toledo, OH and Chicago, IL over one of three alternate routes. The grant of trackage rights to AA over any one of these three alternate routes will have no significant environmental impact.

The proposed trackage rights will not result in significant changes in carrier operation. There will not be a diversion of: (1) more than 1,000 rail carloads a year to motor carriage; or (2) an average of 50 carloads per mile per year for any part of this line to motor carriage. The granting of the trackage rights will also not result in: (1) an increase in rail traffic of at least 100 percent or an increase of at least eight trains a day on any segment of the line; (2) an increase in rail yard activity of at least 100 percent; or (3) an average increase in truck traffic of more than

10 percent of the average daily traffic or 50 vehicles a day. To the extent that the trackage rights affect a class I or nonattainment area under the Clean Air Act, they will not result in: (1) an increase in rail traffic of at least 50 percent or an increase of at least three trains a day on any segment of the line; (2) an increase in rail yard activity of at least 20 percent; or (3) an average increase in truck traffic of more than 10 percent of the average daily traffic or 50 vehicles a day. Accordingly, no environmental documentation is required for AA's filing in this proceeding pursuant to the provisions of 49 C.F.R. 1105.6(c)(2).

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: October 1, 1997

VERIFICATION

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)
 COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON) ss.

I, E. O. Erickson, being duly sworn depose and state that I am President of Ann Arbor Railroad, that I am authorized to make this verification, and that I have read the foregoing Environmental Verified Statement and know the facts asserted therein are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.


 E.O. Erickson

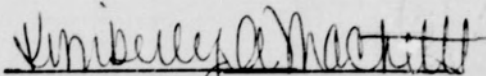
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 30th day of September, 1997.

KIMBERLY A. MACHETTE

Notary Public, Ingham County, MI

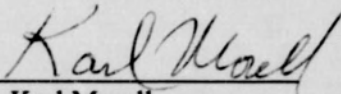
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My Commission Expires: Acting in Livingston County, MI


 Notary Public

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 1st day of October, 1997, I caused a copy of the foregoing Environmental Verified Statement to be served by first class mail, postage prepaid, on Administrative Law Judge Jacob Leventhal and all parties of record in STB Finance Docket No. 33388.



Karl Morell