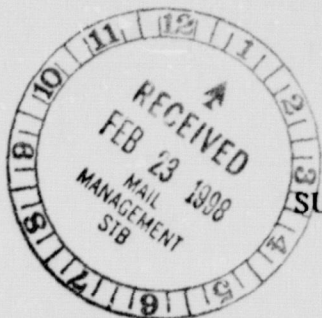
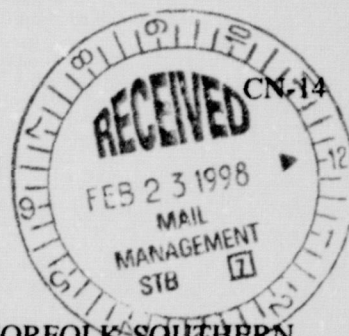


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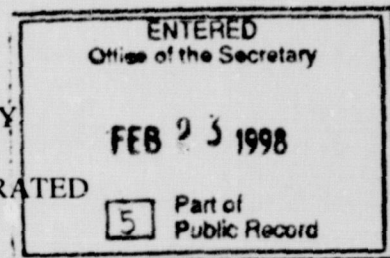
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CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY'S
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Canada: National Railway Company ("CN"), Grand Trunk Corporation ("GTC") and Grand Trunk Western Railroad Incorporated ("GTW")¹ hereby withdraw their Responsive Application seeking trackage rights, which was filed in Finance Docket No. 33388 (Sub-No. 81), and their related Verified Notice of Exemption, which was filed in Finance Docket No. 33388 (Sub-No. 83).

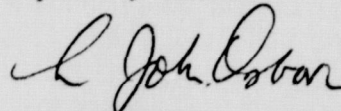
¹ CN as used herein will embrace CN's wholly-owned subsidiary GTC, and GTC's wholly-owned subsidiary GTW.

CN's Responsive Application sought certain limited trackage rights to provide balanced competition for traffic moving to Detroit Edison's Trenton Channel Power Plant at Trenton, MI. The related Notice of Exemption sought authority to construct and operate a short connecting track needed to implement the proposed trackage rights. Detroit Edison, the affected shipper, filed a statement in support of CN's Responsive Application.

Detroit Edison, pursuant to recent discussions it has had with CSX, has advised CN that Detroit Edison's interests now would best be served by withdrawal of CN's request for trackage rights. Accordingly, CN hereby withdraws its Responsive Application and Verified Notice of Exemption.²

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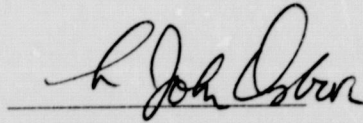
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² CN, in its Brief filed this day in Finance Docket No. 33388, nevertheless will refer to the Verified Statement of Gerald K. Davies insofar as that statement describes CN's role in the North American freight market and its negotiations with CSX and NS.

Certificate of Service

The undersigned hereby certifies that on this 23rd day of February, 1998, he served a true copy of the foregoing on counsel for all known parties by first-class mail, postage prepaid.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L. John Osborn", is written over a horizontal line.

L. John Osborn