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ICC ANNOUNCES ELECTION
OF INTERIM CHAIRMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN OF
NATIONAL GRAIN CAR COUNCIL

Interstate Commerce Commission Vice Chairman Gus A. Owen
today announced the election of Richard K. Davidson, Chairman and
Chief Executive Officer of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, as
the interim Chairman of the National Grain Car Council (NGCC),
and the election of Ian Muir, Assistant Vice President—
Transportation of the Bunge Corporation, as interim Vice
Chairman. Vice Chairman Owen is an ex-officio member of the
NGCC.

NGCC Chairman Davidson and Vice Chairman Muir were elected
to their positions by fellow NGCC members. Both officers are
responsible for coordinating the NGCC's first meeting—expected
in early Autumn 1995—and for developing a meeting agenda. An
election will be held during the NGCC's first meeting to choose a
permanent Chairman and Vice Chairman.

The NGCC was formed as a working group to facilitate
private-sector solutions to problems arising in the railroad
transportation of grain. The NGCC is composed of 31 members
representing large railroads, short line railroads, grain
shippers and receivers, and private rail car manufacturers and
owners.

The NGCC arose from a 1993 proceeding instituted by the ICC
in National Grain Car Supply—Conference of Interested Parties,
Ex Parte No. 519. A report in this case subsequently was issued
summarizing the Commission's grain car conference held in Omaha,
Nebraska, on April 11, 1994 (see the Report on the National Grain
Car Supply Conference, Ex Parte No. 519 [Commissioner J. J.
Simmons, August 1994]). The Commission subsequently voted to
approve the establishment of the NGCC.

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