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STB RECOGNIZES CSX AND UP FOR LABOR AGREEMENTS PROVIDING PAID SICK LEAVE

The Board welcomes news of the recent agreements reached by both CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSX) and Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) with several rail labor unions, providing for paid sick leave. The Board applauds the efforts of CSX and UP in taking the lead to work with the unions to address this critical need. These types of collaborative efforts to tackle “quality of life” issues should result in the further strengthening of our national rail network by promoting both retention of existing workers and providing incentives for potential new hires. Rail labor is the backbone of our national rail network, and it is therefore imperative that the rail labor force be strong, vibrant, and healthy.

This month CSX has reached agreements providing for paid sick leave with the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way, the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen (BRC), the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, and the National Conference of Firemen and Oilers (NCFO). UP reached similar agreements with BRC and NCFO.

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