Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) has submitted depreciation rates for its road property. Life and salvage estimates supporting these rates were also provided and have been given appropriate consideration.

The depreciation rates prescribed herein replace any rates previously prescribed for the subject property. Beginning on the effective date of this prescription, the railroad is prohibited from using any rates other than those prescribed herein. As stated in 49 U.S.C. 11143, a rail carrier may not:

(1) charge to operating expenses a depreciation charge on a class of property other than that prescribed by the Board;

(2) charge another rate of depreciation; or

(3) include other depreciation charges in operating expenses.

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) shall account for depreciation charges by applying to the ledger value of road property, owned and used in its operations, the annual depreciation rates shown herein.

(2) The rates shall be effective January 1, 2021, or until further order of the Board.
Decided December 16, 2020 by the Surface Transportation Board’s Accounting Board members Ramirez, Chen, Dusenberry.