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Public & Media Advisory: Surface Transportation Board To Hold October 27 Oral Argument Involving a Regional Motor-Carrier Rate Bureau's Request for Nationwide Collective Ratemaking Authority

Surface Transportation Board Chairman Roger Nober has announced that the agency will hold an **October 27, 2004** oral argument concerning whether the STB should grant nationwide collective ratemaking authority to the Southern Motor Carriers Rate Conference, Inc., which currently operates on a regional basis, in the case entitled *Southern Motor Carriers Rate Conference, Inc.*, STB Section 5m Application No. 46 (Sub-No. 20).

The STB will hold the oral argument at **10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 2004, in Room 760**, the agency's hearing room, on the **7th Floor** of the agency's headquarters in the **Mercury Building, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.**

The STB announced its scheduling of the oral argument in its [decision issued October 1, 2004 in STB Section 5m Application No. 46 \(Sub-No. 20\)](#). That decision is available for viewing and downloading via the agency's Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>. A printed copy of the Board's decision also is available for a fee by contacting **ASAP Document Solutions, 9332 Annapolis Rd., Suite 103, Lanham, MD 20706, telephone (301) 577-2600**, or via asapdc@verizon.net. [STOP]