RAILROAD-SHIPPER TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL Washington DC

MINUTES OF MAY 18-19, 2011 MEETING OF THE RAILROAD-SHIPPER TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Railroad Shipper Transportation Advisory Council (the "Council"), pursuant to notice, held a meeting on May 18-19, 2011, in the Hearing Room of the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E. Street SW, Washington, DC. The meeting was called to order at 2pm May 18th, and 8am May 19th.

The following members were present: Reilly McCarren, Arkansas & Missouri Railroad; Roger Fray, West Central Cooperative; John Levine, Pinsly Railroad Company; Leslie Moll, ArcelorMittal USA; Michael Ogborn, OMNTRAX, Inc; Bruce Ridley, Packaging Corporation of America; Owen Zidar, Kansas City Southern; Eric Butler, Union Pacific Railroad; John Friedmann, Norfolk Southern; Howard Kaplan, US Magnesium, LLC; J.J. Keever, Virginia Port Authority; Henry Lampe, Chicago South Shore & South Bend Railway, Scott Greene, Federal Railroad Administration; Daniel R. Elliott III, Surface Transportation Board; Francis P. Mulvey, Surface Transportation Board and Ann Begeman, Surface Transportation Board.

The following member attended via conference call on May 19th: Doug Kratzberg, Exxon Mobil.

The following members were not present: Terry Voss, Ag. Processing, and Peter Weiss, Chrysler LLC.

I. Opening Remarks

• Opening remarks given by Chairman Elliott, Vice Chairman Begeman, and Board Member Mulvey.

II. Council Business

• Reviewed and approved posting on STB website of minutes of March 1-2, 2011 meeting.

III. Financial Update

• Reviewed bank account information. John Levine will send out dues invoices.

IV. General Discussion

- Reports from the field by all in attendance.
- Significant discussion about the future of URCS.
 - o discussion continues with Bill Brennan and Mike Boyles, STB Staff (Note: STB Members were not present for substantive discussions regarding URCS.)
- Rail Opportunities Committee John Friedmann presented a draft White Paper on Short Haul Rail and Truck Size and Weights
- Joyce Rose and Fred Miller of the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee
 - o spoke about Surface Transportation Reauthorization and other legislative issues.

V. Next meeting

RSTAC Field Meeting is August 24-26, 2011, in Houston, TX