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Ms. Cynthia Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: STB Ex Parte No. 724 (Sub-No.1), United States Rail Service Issues

Dear Ms. Brown:

Enclosed for electronic filing in the above captioned proceeding is the fifth Weekly Report of BNSF in response to the Board's Orders of April 15 and 23, 2014. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Adam Weiskittel

**BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

STB EX PARTE NO. 724 (Sub-No. 1)

UNITED STATES RAIL SERVICE ISSUES

**WEEKLY REPORT OF
BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY**

BNSF Railway Company (“BNSF”) provides the following fifth weekly status report in response to the Board’s Orders of April 15 and 23, 2014 in the above referenced docket. In those orders, the Board directed BNSF to report our plans for ensuring the timely delivery of critical fertilizer shipments necessary to support spring planting and provide weekly reporting against that plan through May 30, 2014.

BNSF has made significant progress to date against our Six-Week Fertilizer Campaign. As the Board knows, we implemented the Six-Week Fertilizer Campaign on April 12, 2014, which called for delivery of 52 trainloads of fertilizer over a six-week period in BNSF-direct unit train service. BNSF is pleased to report that we have now exceeded the 52-trainload goal for originations of fertilizer. As of the morning of Thursday, May 22, BNSF has originated 53 trainloads since the Six-Week Fertilizer Campaign was implemented. Of those 53 originated trains, 50 have been delivered to their ultimate destination for unloading. That progress against our 52-trainload goal is reflected in Attachment A to this report, which is updated to show the originations and deliveries to date, with a state-by-state breakdown. Attachment A also includes updated miles-per-day (MPD) velocity metrics showing our performance against the MPD goal set as part of the Six-Week Fertilizer Campaign. We have seen a decrease in the seven-day

average MPD on all fertilizer shipments during the prior week, which reflects the fact that a number of originated fertilizer shipments arrived at destinations over the last week where receivers are still holding prior trains for unloading because their storage and unloading capacity was already fully utilized. As a result, the fertilizer trains are held short of destination until the train ahead unloads but remain on the miles-per-day clock at a zero MPD value, negatively impacting our velocity measures for that period. We do, however, continue to meet the Six-Week MPD goal during the second quarter of 2014. We also continue to move individual carloads of fertilizer in manifest service, and have handled an additional 17 fertilizer trainloads that we received in interline service for delivery on BNSF's network since April 12.

BNSF will provide our final weekly update next Friday, May 30, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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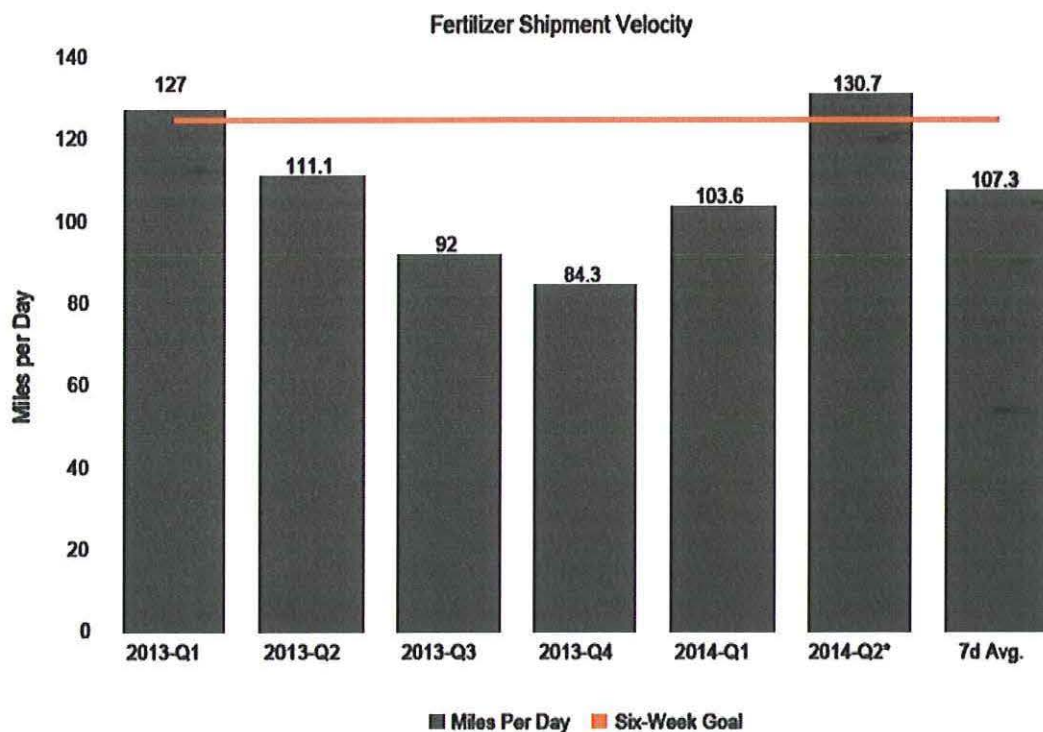
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Attachment A

2014 Unit Fertilizer Train Campaign Update

<u>Destination State</u>	<u>Trains Loaded Thru 05/21</u>	<u>Trains Delivered Thru 05/21</u>	<u>Trains Delivered Thru 05/14</u>	<u>Trains Delivered Thru 05/07</u>
IA	3	3	2	1
MN	5	5	4	2
MO	3	3	2	1
MT	3	3	3	2
ND	13	12	9	7
NE	2	2	1	1
SD	19	18	16	15
TX	5	4	4	3
Total	53	50	41	32
Goal	52	52	52	52
Trains Remaining	0	(2)	(11)	(20)
Percent Complete	101.9%	96.2%	78.8%	61.5%



*Quarter-to-Date through 05/21/2014

