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## **VIA E-FILING**

Ms. Cynthia T. Brown Chief, Section of Administration Office of Proceedings United States Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20423

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Re: STB Docket No. EP 724-1, United States Rail Service Issues

Dear Ms. Brown:

Attached for electronic filing in the above proceeding is Canadian Pacific's fourth weekly report in response to the Board's orders of April 15 and 23, 2014.

Thank you for your courtesy and cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Charles W. Webster

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The Honorable Daniel R. Elliott III, Chairman United States Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20423

The Honorable Ann D. Begeman, Vice Chairman United States Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20423

Re: STB Docket No. EP 724-1

Dear Chairman Elliott and Vice Chairman Begeman:

Please accept this letter and the accompanying data as Canadian Pacific's (CP) fourth weekly report pursuant to the Board's orders of April 15<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014, regarding delivery of fertilizer shipments for spring planting of U.S. crops, in particular for destinations in the Midwest.

Performance metrics continue to show improved service consistency across our U.S. rail network. Weekly progress reporting and associated metrics are available via our website. (See link: <a href="http://www.cpr.ca/en/customer-centre/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.cpr.ca/en/customer-centre/Pages/default.aspx</a>).

Chicago terminal recovery remains stable and a 6% improvement in overall weekly U.S. terminal dwell has reduced our transit times. In addition, active cars on line are up slightly supporting a 4% increase in total volumes this week.

With respect to fertilizer, performance improvements across the CP's network are driving sustained volume levels which continue to trend above the 3 year average for this time of year. Average transit times for fertilizer shipments to the Midwest have improved by 50% over the previous 3 week period.

We remain focused on returning service to normal levels across the network and on moving all fertilizer and plant nutrients presented to the railway.

Sincerely,

Robert Johnson

Vice President of Operations

Southern Region

## **Weekly CP Fertilizer Delivery Data**

Period: May 3rd - 10th, 2014

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Destination State	# Cars	Avg Transit	Service Standard	# Receivers
IA	43	8.1	7.4	6
MN	278	5.6	6.1	31
ND	76	9.1	7.7	11
SD	79	8.6	9.2	8

Average transit times have improved by greater than 7 days since week of April 13<sup>th</sup>.

Dwell improvement areas based on previous period analysis:

- 1. Fertilizers to ND > Minot, Winona, Nahant
- 2. Fertilizers to SD > Huron, Waseca, Winona