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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 Debra Miller, Vice Chairman United States Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20423

The Honorable Ann D. Begeman, Commissioner United States Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20423 236771

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Re: STB Docket No. EP 724-2

Dear Chairman Elliott, Vice Chairman Miller, and the Honorable Ms Begeman:

I am writing in response to the Board's Order in Docket No. EP 724 (Sub-No. 2) dated June 20, 2014 as well as the more recent order dated August 18, 2014 directing Canadian Pacific Railway Company (CP) to produce a grain order backlog plan and provide weekly status reports on various metrics. This is CP's Fifteenth Weekly Report.

For Week 8 of the 2014/15 crop year, new requests totaled 1360, including those on the Rapid City, Pierre & Eastern Railroad (RCP&E). We fulfilled 2477 grain orders this week which is a strong performance. Orders fulfilled exceeded new requests by 1117. Of the total orders fulfilled, 170 related to the RCP&E which nearly matched the 175 new RCP&E requests we received. CP continues to provide the RCP&E additional locomotive power. See, Appendix 2.

As of today, the number of open grain car requests is 3089. Of these requests 2589 will be serviced through our existing car request program. The remaining 500 of these requests represent cars that will move in dedicated train service. The number of open requests will continue to come down over the coming weeks.

Last week we experienced extended dwell of up to 4 days at several origins in North Dakota. The dwell was especially pronounced for wheat shipments heading east. In addition, we saw extended dwell at destination for small car blocks as well as for trains in our dedicated train program. Small car block dwell was predominately in the east with over 1800 cars dwelling at receivers for 4 days or more. Seven trains in the dedicated train program experienced offline receiver delays from 4 to 9 days due to various unloading issues. We are working with the shippers, facilities and other railroads involved to improve the situation, both at origin and destination. Overall rail capacity is reduced when cars sit idle. This is because delay in loading or unloading results in fewer trains in the cycle.

Sincerely,

Robert Johnson Senior Vice President Operations

## **APPENDIX 1**

## Canadian Pacific Grain Car Request Update

All request information is for the week ending 09/28/2014

	Open Requests (Carload)			Open Requests (Train Service*)			New Requests		<b>Requests Filled</b>		Cancelled Requests	
	Cars	Stations	Avg Weeks	Cars	Stations	Avg Weeks	Cars	Stations	Cars	Stations	Shipper	CP
North Dakota	2327	19	5.23	500	1	5.40	983	19	1715	23	878	9
Minnesota	137	3	13.76	0	0	0.00	152	3	460	10	0	0
South Dakota	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	25	1	0	0
lowa	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0
Montana	100	1	0.50	0	0	0.00	50	1	107	1	0	0
Wisconsin	25	1	2.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0
RCP & E	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	175	1	170	1	0	0
Total	2589	24	5.46	500	1	5.40	1360	24	2477	36	878	9

The number of Canadian Pacific grain cars in the US at the end of this reporting week was 8,880 cars. 58% of these cars were under load (this includes cars offline as well as online). 56% of these cars were offline (this includes both loaded and empty cars offline).

114 private grain cars were billed in the US the week ending 09/28/2014. Private grain cars billed are incremental to the requests filled reported above.

#### Definitions

Open Requests placed prior to the reporting week which have not been filled Not applicable to RCP & E account prior customers orders are captured in the RCP & E car request system, not Canadian Pacific's system.

New Requests New customer requests received during the reporting week

Requests Filled Number of cars spotted to customers during the reporting week.

### **Dedicated Train Program Trips per Month**

	September	Week Ending	Week Ending	Week Ending	Week Ending
	Plan	09/28	09/21	09/14	09/07
Canadian Pacific US System Average	2.20	2.25	2.53	2.50	3.14
Pacific North West		2.21	2.47	2.44	3.14
Other*		2.62	2.81	2.75	n/a

Canadian Pacific had 24 trains in the US Dedicated Train Program the week ending 09/28/2014

\* Trains in the US Dedicated Train Program that were billed to any destination other than the Pacific North West. Alternate destinations are varied. If Trips per Month are reported as "N/A" no trains ran in corridors outside the Pacific North West.

# APPENDIX 2

	LOCOMOTIVES DELIVERED BY CF	LOCOMOTIVES DELIVERED BY RCPE TO CP				
REPORT_TMS	CP UNITS	RCPE UNITS	TOTAL	CP UNITS	RCPE UNITS	TOTAL
			24			42
12-Sep-14				3	3	6
13-Sep-14	4	3	7	5	2	7
14-Sep-14	5		5	1	2	. 3
15-Sep-14	5	4	9	6	1	. 7
16-Sep-14	5	3	8	6	2	8
17-Sep-14	10	6	16	1	2	3
18-Sep-14	7	3	10	1	2	3
			55			37
19-Sep-14		2	2	6		6
20-Sep-14	6	1	7	4		4
21-Sep-14	3		3	7		7
22-Sep-14	1	1	2	3	4	, 7
23-Sep-14	4	4	8	6	2	8
24-Sep-14				3		3
25-Sep-14						
			22			35

