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The Honorable Debra Miller, Acting Chairman
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The Honorable Ann D. Begeman, Vice Chairman
United States Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
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Re: *STB Docket No. EP 724-3 - United States Rail Service Issues- Data Collection*

Dear Chairman Miller and Vice Chairman Begeman:

I am writing to provide comment on the service data that we are filing contemporaneous herewith in response to the Board's data collection order of October 8, 2014.

Of note this reporting week, our outstanding grain car orders remain at zero. We received 172 new grain car orders this reporting week, and spotted a total of 869 grain cars, which total includes single cars and cars in dedicated trains. We continue to remain current in the United States from a grain order perspective.

Last week we commented that in anticipation of a strike by train and engine employees in Canada, we reduced starts of US grain trains westbound into Canada, and resumed those train starts on a metered basis when the Canadian train and engine employees returned to work. This reporting week, our system train speed, terminal dwell and cars on line metrics have all improved. We did experience an increase in unit grain train dwell, but this should be expected as we resumed Pacific Northwest grain train starts.

With respect to the Rapid City, Pierre & Eastern Railroad (RCP&E), RCP&E made a request for eight grain cars this week and we delivered eight grain cars to them. On average this reporting week there were three more RCP&E locomotives on CP than CP locomotives on RCP&E, which is consistent with the level of demand on RCP&E.

Sincerely,

Robert Johnson
Senior Vice President Operations

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1. System-Average Train Speed by Train Type for the Reporting Week (MPH)	
Intermodal	25.3
Grain unit	19.2
Coal unit	17.1
Automotive unit	17.8
Crude oil unit	16.9
Ethanol unit	17.6
Manifest	17.2
All Other	19.4

2. Weekly Average Terminal Dwell Time Measured in Hours Excluding Cars on Run Through Trains	
System Average	25.5

2. Weekly Average Terminal Dwell Time Measured in Hours for 10 Largest Terminals In Terms Of Railcar Capacity	
ALBANY	12.7
BENSENVILLE	32.5
BINGHAMTON	23.1
GLENWOOD	36.6
HARVEY	13.1
LA CROSSE	27.9
MASON CITY	24.3
MILWAUKEE	26.1
NAHANT	19.2
ST PAUL	27.5

3. Total Cars On Line by Car Type for the Reporting Week	
Box	1,468
Covered hopper	15,659
Gondola	2,592
Intermodal	772
Multilevel (automotive)	1,073
Open hopper	757
Tank	9,179
Other	1,221
Total	32,721

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4. Weekly Average Dwell Time at Origin for Unit Train Shipments Measured in Hours	
Grain	90.3
Coal	28.4
Automotive	-
Crude Oil	11.9
Ethanol	37.1
All Other Unit Trains	15.3

5. Weekly Total Number of Trains Held Short of Destination or Scheduled Interchange for Longer than 6 Hours by Train Type and Cause							
Train Type	Cause						Total
	Crew	Locomotive power	Track maintenance	Mechanical Issue	Other		
					Number	Briefly Explain Cause	
Intermodal	0	2	0	0	3	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	5
Grain unit	0	0	0	0	5	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	5
Coal unit	0	0	0	0	5	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	5
Automotive unit	0	0	0	0	1	Other	1
Crude oil unit	0	0	0	0	0		0
Ethanol unit	0	0	0	0	5	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	5
Other unit	0	0	0	1	3	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	4
All other trains	0	12	0	7	103	Various, Customer, Foreign, Operations, Outages.	122
Total	0	14	0	8	125		147

6. Weekly Total Number of Loaded and Empty Cars in Revenue Service That Have Not Moved In:				
	Greater Than 120 Hours		Greater Than 48 but Less than or Equal to 120 Hours	
	Loaded	Empty	Loaded	Empty
Intermodal	13	6	17	3
Grain	309	111	317	205
Coal	14	1	2	23
Crude Oil	1	36	17	97
Ethanol	16	6	135	38
Automotive	43	-	129	-
All Other	271	381	725	965

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7. Weekly total grain cars loaded and billed, reported by State, aggregated for the following Standard Transportation Commodity Codes (STCCs): 01131 (barley), 01132 (corn), 01133 (oats), 01135 (rye), 01136 (sorghum grains), 01137 (wheat), 01139 (grain, not elsewhere classified), 01144 (soybeans), 01341 (beans, dry), 01342 (peas, dry), and 01343 (cowpeas, lentils, or lupines). "Total grain cars loaded and billed" includes cars in shuttle service; dedicated train service; reservation, lottery, open and other ordering systems; and, private cars. Additionally, please separately report the total cars loaded and billed in shuttle service (or dedicated train service) versus total cars loaded and billed in all other ordering systems, including private cars.

Instruction: Please enter "0" if no data is being reported for a field.

State	Total Grain Cars Loaded and Billed For All Ordering Systems	Total Grain Cars Loaded and Billed For Shuttle / Dedicated Train Service Ordering Systems	Total Grain Cars Loaded and Billed For Ordering Systems Other Than Shuttle / Dedicated Train Service
AL	0	0	0
AZ	0	0	0
AR	0	0	0
CA	0	0	0
CO	0	0	0
CT	0	0	0
DE	0	0	0
FL	0	0	0
GA	0	0	0
ID	2	0	2
IL	18	0	18
IN	0	0	0
IA	9	0	9
KS	2	0	2
KY	0	0	0
LA	0	0	0
ME	0	0	0
MD	0	0	0
MA	0	0	0
MI	0	0	0
MN	364	198	166
MS	0	0	0
MO	2	0	2
MT	0	0	0
NE	0	0	0
NV	0	0	0
NH	0	0	0
NJ	0	0	0
NM	0	0	0
NY	4	0	4
NC	0	0	0
ND	652	501	151
OH	0	0	0
OK	0	0	0
OR	0	0	0
PA	0	0	0

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RI	0	0	0
SC	0	0	0
SD	0	0	0
TN	0	0	0
TX	0	0	0
UT	0	0	0
VT	0	0	0
VA	0	0	0
WA	0	0	0
WV	0	0	0
WI	0	0	0
WY	0	0	0
Total	1,053	699	354

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8. For the aggregated STCCs in item 7, report by State the following: a. running total number of outstanding car orders (a car order equals one car); b. average number of days late for all outstanding car orders; c. total number of new car orders received during the past week; d. total number of car orders filled during the past week; and e. number of orders cancelled, respectively, by shipper and railroad during the past week.

State	a. Running Total Number of Outstanding Car Orders	b. Average Number of Days Late For All Outstanding Grain Car Orders	c. Number of New Car Orders	d. Number of Car Orders Filled	e.1. Number of Orders Canceled By Shipper	e.2. Number of Orders Canceled By Railroad
AL						
AZ						
AR						
CA						
CO						
CT						
DE						
FL						
GA						
ID						
IL						
IN						
IA						
KS						
KY						
LA						
ME						
MD						
MA						
MI						
MN			19	138	4	
MS						
MO						
MT						
NE						
NV						
NH						
NJ						
NM						
NY						
NC						
ND			145	723	112	
OH						
OK						
OR						
PA						
RI						
SC						
SD**			8	8		
TN						
TX						
UT						
VT						
VA						

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WA						
WV						
WI						
WY						
TOTAL	0	0.00 weeks	172	869	116	0

** SD new orders and orders filled are all RCP&E

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9. Plan vs. Performance For Grain Shuttle (Or Dedicated Grain Train) Round Trips, By Region, Updated To Reflect The Previous Four Weeks

Region (Please Specify Destination Region)	Trip Plan	Trip Performance
Pacific North West	2.2	1.9
Other	2.2	1.9

10. Average Daily Coal Unit Train Loadings vs. Plan for the Reporting Week By Coal Production Region

Region	Loadings Plan	Loadings Average
Powder River Basin		
Illinois Basin		
Uinta Basin		
Northern Appalachia		
Central Appalachia		
Southern Appalachia		

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Chicago Gateway

1. Average Daily Car Counts By Terminal Yard For The Reporting Week

Barr	
Bensenville	2,132
Blue Island	
Calumet	22
Cicero	
Clearing	75
Corwith	
Gibson	
Kirk	
Markham	
Proviso	
Other Yards	
*See EP 724 (Sub-No.3) *	

2. Average Daily Number Of Trains Held For Delivery To Chicago Sorted by Receiving Carrier For The Reporting Week

BNSF	0.0
CN	0.0
CP	0.0
CSX	0.4
NS	0.0
UP	0.0

Status of the Chicago Terminal

As of this writing, the Chicago Terminal OPCON status is green. Our railroad is in normal operating condition at Chicago.

APPENDIX 1: RCP&E Reporting

Number of Grain Cars Requested by and Furnished to RCP&E from Feb 22, 2015 to Feb 28, 2015

	Number of New Car Orders	Number of Car Orders Filled
RCP&E	8	8

Number of Locomotives Moving to / from RCP&E

Date	LOCOMOTIVES DELIVERED BY CP TO RCPE			LOCOMOTIVES DELIVERED BY RCPE TO CP		
	CP UNITS	RCPE UNITS	TOTAL	CP UNITS	RCPE UNITS	TOTAL
Sat Feb 07	1	6	7		3	3
Sun Feb 08	3	5	8	4	1	5
Mon Feb 09		2	2		6	6
Tue Feb 10	2	3	5	3	1	4
Wed Feb 11	5	3	8		3	3
Thu Feb 12	4	4	8	5	5	10
Fri Feb 13		3	3	2	2	4
			41			35
Sat Feb 14	3	2	5		8	8
Sun Feb 15		2	2		3	3
Mon Feb 16	3	7	10	3	1	4
Tue Feb 17				1	3	4
Wed Feb 18	5	5	10		3	3
Thu Feb 19	3		3	3		3
Fri Feb 20	3	2	5	3	1	4
			35			28
Sat Feb 21	1	1	2		4	4
Sun Feb 22	4	1	5	4	3	7
Mon Feb 23	2	3	5		8	8
Tue Feb 24		6	6	1	3	4
Wed Feb 25				6	3	9
Thu Feb 26	5		5	6	4	10
Fri Feb 27	2	2	4		3	3
			27			45
Sat Feb 28	3	5	8	3	3	6

