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

Re: EP 724 (Sub-No. 3), *United States Rail Service Issues – Data Collection*

Dear Ms. Brown:

Pursuant to the decision served in this proceeding on October 8, 2014, the Association of American Railroads, on behalf of its freight railroad member representatives in the Chicago Transportation Coordination Office, hereby files the attached data.

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Strafford
Counsel for the Association
of American Railroads

EP 724 - US RAIL SERVICE ISSUES - DATA COLLECTION

Chicago Railroad	Year: 2014	Reporting week	Date Week Began:	11/02/14
			Date Week Ended:	11/08/14

Chicago Gateway

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

Barr	1,713.90
Bensenville	2,146.10
Blue Island	1,524.10
Calumet	1,069.10
Cicero	889.70
Clearing	4,257.00
Corwith	1,169.10
Gibson	872.70
Kirk	1,903.60
Markham	686.60
Proviso	2,633.70
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

IHB	0.14
BNSF	0.14
BRC	1.57
CN	1.57
CP	0.43
CSX	0.43
NS	0.14
UP	0.43

NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF OPERATING CONDITIONS

General Summary of current CTCO service contingency protocols, including descriptions of Alert Levels

The Chicago Terminal Alert Plan provides the framework necessary to identify and mitigate, to the degree reasonably practicable, potential and current operating conditions that would negatively impact rail traffic moving via the Chicago Gateway. Safety of operations is integral throughout the alert plan processes. The plan provides for monitoring terminal and/or individual operating, network or weather conditions and required action items geared to quickly restore fluidity to operations.

Overall Terminal conditions and Individual Yard, Road or Corridor conditions that impact operations are monitored and categorized separately for purposes of required actions. Levels of Alert are: Normal, Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3. Action Items, detailed by individual roads' Service Design and/or Terminal Operations groups, are geared to correspond to the appropriate condition and level. Actions between railroad partners range from a heightened awareness to actual diversion of Chicago traffic to other gateways. CTCO is charged with development, implementation and management of the Chicago Terminal Alert Plan which includes appropriate escalation in cases of ineffective or insufficient contingencies.

CHANGE (+/-) IN REPORTED NUMBERS:

Reported numbers remained similar to last week.

ALERT LEVEL CHANGES:

There were no Alert Levels during the report period.

EVENT(S) THAT AFFECTED OPERATING CONDITIONS:

There were no Major Events affecting the Terminal.
There was no Weather Event which affected the Terminal.

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