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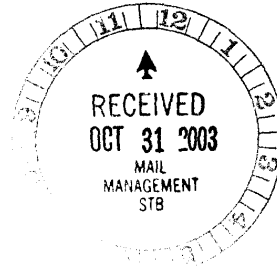
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The Honorable Vernon Williams
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Re: Docket Nos. AB-279 (Sub-No. 3) & AB-124 (Sub-No. 2)

Dear Secretary Williams:

We represent Montreal, Maine & Atlantic Railway Ltd. ("MMA") in the above-captioned proceedings. On October 29, 2003, Canadian National Railway Company ("CN") filed a motion to compel production of documents by MMA and the Trustee of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad Company. CN asked the Board to consider its motion on an expedited basis and to make any replies due on November 5, 2003.

MMA is prepared to reply on an expedited basis to ensure that the motion does not affect the procedural schedule established in the Board's Order served October 24, 2003. This is to advise the Board that MMA intends to respond by November 6, 2003.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Michael L. Rosenthal

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