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Via Hand Delivery

The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

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RE: **Letter of Errata**; STB Finance Docket No. 34555, City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Beltline Division, d/b/a Tacoma Rail, Tacoma Municipal Beltline or TMBL— Acquisition And Operation Exemption—Lakeview Subdivision, Quadlok-St. Clair, And Belmore-Olympia Rail Lines In Pierce And Thurston Counties, Washington

Dear Secretary Williams:

Please accept the original and ten (10) copies of this **Letter of Errata** submitted by the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Beltline Division, d/b/a Tacoma Rail, Tacoma Municipal Beltline or TMBL ("TMBL") in the above referenced docket. By this letter, TMBL seeks to correct a milepost designation that has been revised subsequent to TMBL's filing of its Verified Notice of Exemption ("Verified Notice") in this docket on September 20th, 2004.

As corrected by this letter, the first milepost designation for "East Olympia, Washington" shall be, and is "Milepost 37.00." In TMBL's Verified Notice, the previous designation was "Milepost 36.06." The modification made herein reflects a further refinement of mileage made by BNSF. Please amend pages 4 and 8 of TMBL's Verified Notice in relevant part. For the Board's convenience, a revised caption summary is attached hereto.

As a courtesy, electronic copies of this filing in Microsoft Word and Adobe Acrobat are contained on the enclosed diskette. One additional copy of this filing is enclosed for stamping and return to our offices.

Should you have any questions regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Michael H. Higgins

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**EXHIBIT B
CAPTION SUMMARY [REVISED]

BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**



STB FINANCE DOCKET NO. 34555

**THE CITY OF TACOMA, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES, BELTLINE
DIVISION, DBA TACOMA RAIL, TACOMA MUNICIPAL BELTLINE OR TMBL—
ACQUISITION AND OPERATION EXEMPTION—THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN
AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY**

The City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Beltline Division, dba Tacoma Rail, Tacoma Municipal Beltline or TMBL has filed a verified notice of exemption to acquire and operate approximately 28 miles of railroad line from The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company. The lines consist of: (i) Milepost 2.15 at South Tacoma to Milepost 8.92 at Lakeview Junction, and (ii) Milepost 0.0 at West Lakeview to Milepost 10.98 at Nisqually, (the Lakeview Subdivision) in Pierce County, Washington; and (iii) Milepost 3.27 at Quadlok to Milepost 0.0 at St. Clair in Thurston County, Washington (the Quadlok-St. Clair line); and (iv) Milepost 16.0 at Belmore to Milepost 9.07 at Olympia in Thurston County, Washington (the Belmore-Olympia line). Pursuant to the foregoing transactions, TMBL will also obtain incidental trackage rights from BNSF from Milepost 23.0 at Nisqually to Milepost 37.00 at East Olympia; and assigned incidental trackage rights from BNSF over the Union Pacific Railroad Company's rail line from Milepost 0.0 at East Olympia to Milepost 9.07 at Olympia in Pierce and Thurston Counties, Washington. The transaction is scheduled to be consummated on September 30, 2004, which is 60 days from TMBL's notification under the Board's rule at 49 C.F.R. § 1150.42(e), and made effective October 1, 2004.

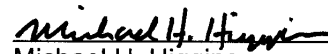
Comments must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, 1925 K Street N.W., Washington, DC, 20423-0001, and served on: Anne L. Spangler, Chief Assistant City Attorney, City of Tacoma, 3628 South 35th Street, Tacoma WA, 98409-3115, (253) 502-8218 and Jeffrey O. Moreno, Thompson Hine LLP, 1920 N Street, N.W., Suite 800, Washington, D.C. 20036, (202) 331-8800.

This notice is filed under 49 C.F.R. § 1150.41. If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that I have served on this 23rd day of September, 2004, a copy of the above Letter of Errata by hand delivery upon the following:

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