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Hon. Vernon A. Williams
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Surface Transportation Board
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Dear Secretary Williams:

This refers to STB Docket No. 42060, North America Freight Car Association--Protest and Petition for Investigation--Tariff Publications of The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, and to the Petition for Leave to Intervene filed on August 16, 2001, by this firm's client, BP Corporation North America Inc. ("BP").

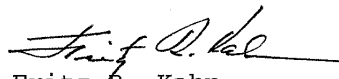
BP and BNSF have reached a Settlement Agreement that obviates BP's further participation in the subject proceeding. BP, accordingly, seeks leave to withdraw its Petition for Leave to Intervene and to cease its continued participation in the proceeding.

Ten copies of this letter are enclosed to permit your circulation of it.

An additional copy is enclosed for you to stamp to acknowledge your receipt of it and to return via the messenger.

By copy of this letter, service is being effected upon counsel for the parties.

Sincerely yours,


Fritz R. Kahn

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