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The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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Re: **STB Ex Parte No. 677 (Sub-No. 1),
Common Carrier Obligation of Railroads**

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding is the "Notice of Intent to Appear on Behalf of CF Industries, Inc." If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at the number above.

Sincerely,

Patrick E. Grooms

Counsel for CF Industries, Inc.

Enclosures

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Ex Parte No. 677 (Sub-No. 1)

COMMON CARRIER OBLIGATION OF RAILROADS

NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR ON BEHALF OF CF INDUSTRIES, INC.

Pursuant to the Notice of the Surface Transportation Board served June 4, 2008, and the extension of time granted on June 23, 2008, CF Industries, Inc. ("CF") hereby submits its notice of intent to participate in this proceeding and to appear at the hearing (now scheduled for July 22, 2008).

CF is one of North America's largest manufacturers and distributors of nitrogen and phosphate fertilizer products. CF depends on rail service to transport many of its products and, thus, CF has a strong interest in the common carrier obligation of the railroad industry.

CF's witness at the hearing will be Patrick E. Groomes. CF hereby respectfully requests 10 minutes to discuss the importance of anhydrous ammonia to agriculture, the railroads' legal obligations to carry toxic inhalation hazard materials, and the jurisdiction of the Surface Transportation Board to modify or condition the railroads' common carrier obligation.

Please list the undersigned as CF's representative on the official service list for this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P.E. Grooms".

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