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Dear Dr. Brennan:

We hereby request one copy each of the years 2021 confidential Carload Waybill Sample with masked revenues of railroad traffic originating, terminating, or passing through the state of Clark County, Nevada. In addition, we ask that access to the requested data be granted to *S&P Global (formerly IHS Markit)*, so that the firm can provide a database connected to the Research on Infrastructure and Logistics in Southern Nevada and Neighboring States being conducted by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) sponsored by Nevada Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED). *S&P Global* will produce the rail freight forecasts from 2021 to 2050 for Clark County by using the Waybill Sample for our project. The Waybill Sample information will help us understand the potential increase in freight volume boosted by industrial land development in Southern Nevada, which in turn will determine the strategies to enhance existing infrastructure in the most optimal ways among rail, road, air, or waterways to transport goods.

Those *S&P Global* and UNLV employees who will be working with the Carload Waybill Sample information will sign the standard confidentiality agreement. Please be assured that the requested data will be kept confidential and used only by those persons who need the information for the project. The individuals who will work with the information are as follows:

S&P Global:
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If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact the Center for Business and Economic Research (CBER), UNLV at cber@unlv.edu or (702) 895-3191. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

UNLV Brookings Mountain West, the Lincy Institute,
Transportation Research Center, and CBER