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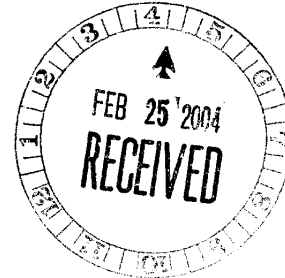
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BY HAND

Hon. Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: STB Finance Docket No. 34472

Dear Secretary Williams:

On February 13, 2004, Columbia Basin Railroad Company, Inc. ("CBRC") filed a notice of exemption to operate a certain rail line owned by Clark County, WA. The Verification page and the Certificate of Revenue in that notice of exemption contained facsimile signatures. Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding are (i) a Verification page containing an original signature, and (ii) a Certificate of Revenue containing an original signature.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed acknowledgment copy and returning it to our messenger.

Sincerely,

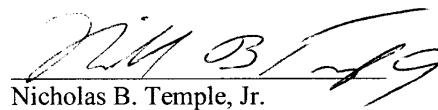
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Rose-Michele Weinryb

Enclosures

VERIFICATION

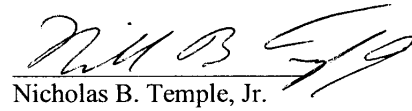
I, Nicholas B. Temple, Jr., certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing notice of exemption is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to cause this Verified Notice of Exemption to be filed.


Nicholas B. Temple, Jr.

Dated: February 13, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF REVENUE

In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 1150.43(g), I do hereby certify that the revenues projected for as a result of this transaction will not result in the creation of a class II or class I rail carrier.


Nicholas B. Temple, Jr.

Dated: February 13, 2004