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Interstate Commerce Commission
Washington, D. C. 20423

SAFETY RECOMMENDATION(S)

I-75-2

The attached Safety Recommendation I-75-1, is addressed to Mr. Arthur D. Lewis, Chairman of the United States Railway Association. Please enter both that recommendation and this document as the Safety Board's appearance in the Interstate Commerce Commission's Public Hearing on Ex Parte No. 293 (Sub No. 5), Review of the United States Railway Association's Preliminary System Plan.

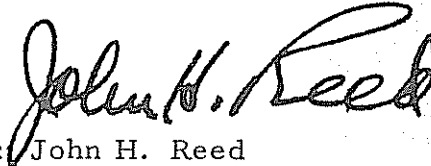
To supplement the recommendation made in the attached document, the Safety Board recommends that:

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In carrying out its statutory mandate to evaluate the United States Railway Association's (USRA) Preliminary System Plan, the Rail Services Planning Office (RSPO) explicitly consider, in a separate section of its report, the impact of the suggested course of action upon transportation safety. This special section of the RSPO report should also provide a synopsis of the safety related testimony and evidence that has been presented at the RSPO hearings on the Preliminary System Plan.

Personnel from our Bureau of Surface Transportation Safety are available if further information or assistance is desired.

REED, Chairman, McADAMS, THAYER, BURGESS, and HALEY, Members, concurred in the above recommendation.



By: John H. Reed
Chairman

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