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The Honorable Russell D. Feingold
United States Senate
506 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feingold:

In conjunction with statutory requirements relative to annual reporting requirements for the Buy American Act that each Federal agency submit a report to Congress on the amount of acquisitions made by the agency from entities that manufacture articles, materials, or supplies outside of the United States for each fiscal year, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) submits the following information regarding purchases made in fiscal years (FY) 2004-2006.

- The Railroad Retirement Board has not knowingly purchased products manufactured outside of the United States for the cited years.
- No waivers have been granted with respect to such articles, materials, or supplies under the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a et seq.).
- The Federal Procurement Data System does not provide a report which separates funds spent on manufactured goods from funds spent on services, so we are unable to identify total funds spent on manufactured goods. However, as noted above, none of these funds are reported as having been spent on goods manufactured outside of the United States. Many of the supply and equipment purchases made were procured using GSA Federal Supply Schedule vendors.

The RRB will continue to monitor our procurements, comply with the Act, and provide reports to Congress, as required. In accordance with Public Law 109-115, this report will be made available for public viewing on the Agency's website. If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact Mr. Henry Valiulis, Procurement Executive, at (312) 751-4520 or Henry.Valiulis@rrb.gov.

Sincerely,

FOR THE BOARD
Beatrice Ezerski
Secretary to the Board

