EMPLOYER STATUS DETERMINATION Western Weighing and Inspection Bureau Western Weighing and Inspection Bureau - Grain Door Reclamation Bureau

This is the determination of the Railroad Retirement Board regarding the continuing status of the Western Weighing and Inspection Bureau (WW&IB) and the Western Weighing and Inspection Bureau - Grain Door Reclamation Bureau (WW&IB/GDRB) as employers under the Railroad Retirement Act (45 U.S.C. §231 et seq.) and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act (45 U.S.C. §351 et seq.). WW&IB (B.A. No. 7225) was ruled to be an employer under the Acts administered by the Board effective June 1, 1912. WW&IB/GDRB (B.A. No. 7241) was ruled to be an employer under the Acts administered by the Board effective October 18, 1934.

WW&IB/GDRB employees were last compensated under B.A. No. 7241 on December 31, 1982, after which time no further reports were submitted to the Board under that B.A. number. WW&IB/GDRB merged into WW&IB effective January 1, 1983, from which time its employees were reported to the Board as employees of WW&IB under B.A. No. 7225. On September 29, 1995, WW&IB ceased operations and its employees were last compensated on October 2, 1995. H.P. Global Transportation Services, Inc., a non-carrier, purchased the assets of WW&IB.

In accordance with the information summarized above, it is the Board's determination that the Western Weighing and Inspection Bureau - Grain Door Reclamation Bureau ceased being an employer under the Acts administered by the Board as of the close of business on December 31, 1982, the last date on which its employees were compensated before it merged into the WW&IB on January 1, 1983.

It is further the Board's determination, in accordance with the information summarize above, that the Western Weighing and Inspection Bureau ceased being an employer under the Acts administered by the Board on October 2, 1995, the last date on which it compensated its employees.

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