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## **RAILROAD REVENUE ADEQUACY-2017 DETERMINATION**

The Surface Transportation Board announced today that it has made its annual determination of revenue adequacy for the Nation's Class I freight railroads for 2017. The Board found that BNSF Railway Company, Norfolk Southern Combined Railroad Subsidiaries, Soo Line Corporation, and Union Pacific Railroad Company were "revenue adequate" for 2017.

A railroad is considered to be revenue adequate if it achieves a rate of return on net investment equal to at least the current cost of capital for the railroad industry for 2017, which the Board determined to be 10.04%. Congress directed the Board to conduct such revenue adequacy determinations on an annual basis. The Board's finding today is that these four Class I railroads achieved a rate of return on net investment equal to or greater than the agency's calculation of the cost of capital for the railroad industry.

The Board's decision in the case, <u>Railroad Revenue Adequacy—2017 Determination</u>, Docket No. EP 552 (Sub-No. 22), can be found on the Board's website, <u>www.stb.gov</u>, under "E-LIBRARY / Decisions & Notices / 12/ 21 / 2018".

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