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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD TO HOLD SEPT. 28 ORAL ARGUMENT IN RATE-COMPLAINT CASE INVOLVING ARIZONA ELECTRIC POWER, BNSF AND UNION PACIFIC

The Surface Transportation Board has scheduled an <u>oral argument</u> for Tuesday, September 28, 2010, at the STB's Washington, D.C. headquarters.

Board Members will hear from parties in Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. v. BNSF Railway & Union Pacific Railroad, NOR 42113. Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (AEPCO) is challenging coal transportation rates from New Mexico and the northern part of the Powder River Basin, in Wyoming and Montana, to AEPCO's generating station near Cochise, Arizona.

Each side in this case will have 30 minutes to argue its position and to respond to questions from Board Members, similar to proceedings in federal appellate courts. The oral argument is schedule to begin at 9:30 a.m. in the hearing room at STB headquarters, 395 E Street, S.W., in Washington. Though the proceedings are open to the public, only counsel for the parties to the cases will be permitted to speak. Photo identification is necessary to enter the building.

A live video broadcast of the oral argument will be available via the Board's Website at www.stb.dot.gov, under "Information Center"/"Website"/"Live video" on the home page.