

**PUBLIC & MEDIA ADVISORY: SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD PROVIDES
SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS' APPEARANCES FOR FEBRUARY 15 PUBLIC HEARING
ON METHODOLOGY FOR DETERMINING RAIL INDUSTRY'S COST OF CAPITAL**

The Surface Transportation Board today provided a schedule of speakers' appearances and their time allocations for the STB's **February 15, 2007** public hearing in the proceeding entitled *Methodology To Be Employed in Determining the Railroad Industry's Cost of Capital*, STB Ex Parte No. 664.

The **Thursday, February 15** hearing will begin at **9:30 a.m.** in **Room 760**, the STB's hearing room, on the **7th Floor** of the agency's headquarters in the **Mercury Building, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.**

The STB announced the February 15 public hearing in STB Ex Parte No. 664 in a decision issued to the public on January 12, 2007. That decision established due dates for those wishing to speak at the hearing to advise the agency of their intent to participate, and to request a time allotment. Based on submissions received, the STB has set the hearing's schedule of speakers as shown on the Attachment to this news release.

Attendance instructions. The STB requests that all persons attending the hearing use the Mercury Building's main entrance at 1925 K Street (on the northeast corner of the intersection of 20th and K Streets). There will be no reserved seating. Please plan to arrive early enough to be seated no later than **9:15 a.m.** For security reasons, all persons should be prepared to produce **photo identification** (such as a driver's license), pass through a **metal detector**, and submit to an inspection of all briefcases, handbags, and any other bags. Visitors must be cleared through security in the STB's Suite 100 (on the 1st Floor, at the top of the ramp to the left of the main lobby).

Quiet laptops and tape recorders may be brought into the hearing room, but absolutely no provision will be made for the connection of personal computers to agency telephone lines. Cellular telephone use is not permitted in the hearing room, or in the rear anteroom; cell phones may be used only outside the hearing room. The STB's hearing room complies with the *Americans With Disabilities Act*, and persons needing such accommodations should telephone (202) 565-1500, or (202) 565-1653, by the close of business on **February 12, 2007**.

If a party wishes to enhance its presentation by using projector-adaptable visual displays and/or handouts, it may do so. Agency staff will be available to demonstrate the hearing room's projection system on **February 13, 2007, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Please telephone (202) 565-1500, or (202) 565-1653, to make arrangements.

The schedule of speakers' appearances and time allocations was provided in a [decision issued to the public today, February 9, 2007, in STB Ex Parte No. 664](#). The schedule is available for viewing and downloading via the agency's Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>. A video broadcast of the hearing will be accessible via the STB's Web site at <http://www.stb.dot.gov>, under "**Information Center**"/"**Webcast**"/"**Live Video**" on the home page.

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ATTACHMENT

Attachment

Surface Transportation Board Public Hearing
METHODOLOGY TO BE EMPLOYED IN DETERMINING THE RAILROAD
INDUSTRY'S COST OF CAPITAL,
STB Ex Parte No. 664
February 15, 2007

SCHEDULE OF APPEARANCES

Party / Speaker / Time Allotted

Panel I: Government

Canadian Transportation Agency / Christa McClellan and Ron Ashley / 7 minutes

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System / Gregory L. Evans / 10 minutes

Panel II: Interested Parties

Association of American Railroads / G. Paul Moates and Bruce E. Stangle / 30 minutes

Western Coal Traffic League / Robert D. Rosenberg and James E. Hodder / 22 minutes

Snavelly King Majoros O'Connor & Lee, Inc. / Charles W. King / 10 minutes

National Industrial Transportation League / John Ficker or Nicholas J. DiMichael / 5 minutes

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