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STB RAIL CUSTOMER & PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM STAFF TO HOLD MEETINGS ON JUNE 11 IN MALTA, MONTANA

The Surface Transportation Board announced today that staff representatives of the Board's Rail Customer and Public Assistance Program (RCPA), within the agency's Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance, will conduct informal and confidential meetings with interested persons on Wednesday, June 11, 2014, in Malta, MT, concerning continuing railroad services issues.

The meetings are an outgrowth of the Board's April 10, 2014 public hearing in *United States Rail Service Issues*, Docket No. EP 724. RCPA is holding the June 11 meeting in order to fully understand the continuing rail service problems and to facilitate informal solutions wherever possible. Similar to RCPA meetings held in Fargo, ND in late March, Sioux Falls, SD on May 6, and Bloomington, MN on May 14, RCPA staff will be available to meet with interested persons in Malta, MT in half-hour appointments, at the following time and location:

Wednesday, June 11, 2014 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. local time The Lodge Room Great Northern Hotel 2 South 1st Street East Malta, Montana 59538

Hotel phone: (406) 654-2100

Persons wishing to meet with RCPA staff members in Malta, MT are encouraged to email their requests—which RCPA will treat as confidential—by the close of business on Monday, June 9, 2014—to the following address: RCPA@stb.dot.gov. Please indicate preferred half-hour time slot, between the hours shown above, which will be subject to RCPA confirmation. Requests for meetings may also be made by phoning 202-245-0241.

RCPA representatives also will be available at the North American Rail Shippers Association's "NARS Annual Meeting," on May 28-30, 2014, in San Francisco, CA, for confidential, informal consultations with stakeholders.