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CLASS I FREIGHT RAILROAD SELECTED EARNINGS DATA

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QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30

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	Railway Operating	Railway Operating	Net	Revenue Ton-Miles	
	Revenues	Income	Income	Of Freight	
Railroad Ye	ear	(1)			
TOTAL ALL CLASS I 19	97 8,315,2	1,193,729	1,108,424	335,766,087	
FREIGHT RR'S (1)	96 8,165,13	1,199,761	1,072,303	334,590,800	
Burlington Northern - Santa Fe 19	97 2,144,7	18 345,527	314,562	106,129,000	
19	96 2,043,4	72 284,048	276,849	101,273,000	
Consolidated Rail Corp. 19	97 913,39	95 120,990	101,162	24,831,340	
19	96 900,8	33 161,167	136,483	24,037,608	
CSX Transportation 19	97 1,214,6	140,482	136,624	40,345,300	
19	96 1,210,93	30 146,731	132,820	39,133,000	
Grand Trunk Western 19	97 82,4	3,480	3,939	2,248,612	
19	96 90,02	20 17,052	9,225	2,243,125	
	97 152,83		30,785	5,228,324	
19	96 150,82	22 36,820	30,194	4,987,904	
Kansas City Southern 19	97 128,12		8,044	4,767,820	
19	96 125,5	15 20,510	7,263	4,675,897	
Norfolk Southern 19	97 1,047,99		205,150	33,790,335	
19	96 1,020,20	213,563	208,205	32,812,911	
Soo Line 19	97 137,42	29 23,759	16,285	5,006,356	
19	96 161,34	19 27,244	21,649	5,919,714	
Union Pacific 19	97 2,493,6	59 293,115	291,873	113,419,000	
19	96 2,461,9	14 292,626	249,615	119,507,641	

12 MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30

	Net		Return
Railway	Railway	Revenue	On Net

	Operating	Operating	Net	Ton-Miles	Investment
	Revenues	Income (1)	Income	Of Freight	(%) (2)
TOTAL ALL CLASS I	33,208,219	4,235,638	3,580,147	1,355,941,204	8.59%
FREIGHT RR'S (1)	32,583,434	3,417,853	3,011,361	1,329,295,831	7.19%
Burlington Northern - Santa Fe	8,342,965	1,132,233	1,044,493	421,745,400	8.91%
	8,194,672	660,224	605,797	406,123,704	5.67%
Consolidated Rail Corp.	3,600,976	195,213	68,904	95,514,822	3.76%
	3,607,703	240,958	157,528	94,201,617	4.68%
CSX Transportation	4,963,432	660,724	611,968	163,680,000	9.24%
	4,883,437	571,275	550,654	159,863,400	8.31%
Grand Trunk Western	381,261	(2,494)	413	9,684,095	-1.25%
	345,834	29,965	12,935	9,449,408	22.38%
Illinois Central	609,397	146,363	134,389	22,068,863	14.66%
-	622,258	151,809	128,251	21,990,184	16.14%
Kansas City Southern	495,616	59,474	20,118	18,559,063	6.65%
	495,802	71,776	16,504	18,228,183	7.17%
Norfolk Southern	4,187,086	840,539	738,034	134,007,137	12.80%
-	4,075,067	757,839	736,368	130,028,360	11.97%
Soo Line	592,562	185,407	176,570	21,947,618	23.25%
	688,110	(126,672)	(149,424)	25,401,917	-19.12%
Union Pacific	10,034,924	1,018,179	785,258	468,734,206	6.88%
	9,670,551	1,060,679	952,748	464,009,058	7.17%

SOURCES OF DATA:

Railway Operating Revenues, Net Railway Operating Income, and Net Income are from the "Quarterly Report of Revenues, Expenses, and Income - Railroads" (Form RE&I).

Revenue Ton Miles of Freight are from the 'Quarterly Condensed Balance Sheet - Railroads (Form CBS).

NOTES:

- (1) Net Railway Operating Income is the difference between railway operating revenues and the total of railway operating expenses, railway tax accruals, and net equipment and joint facility rents.
- (2) Return on Net Investment (ROI) is the ratio of net railway operating income to net investment in railway property used in transportation services at end of previous calendar year. Accumulated deferred income tax reserves are subtracted from the net investment base. Since net investment figures are only available on an end-of-year basis from the Annual Report Form R-1's, filed on March 31 of each year, the net investment bases used to compute returns on net investment in this report are the most recent year-end figures available (data as of the end of 1996 and 1995).

ROI's, as computed by the Board for its annual determination of the revenue adequacy of each class I railroad, will differ from the ROI's computed for this report. ROI's for the revenue adequacy determination are based upon the average of the beginning and end-of-year net investment bases, while ROI's for this report are based on end-of-year data only. Also, ROI's for revenue adequacy determinations are computed using data reported by the class I railroads in Annual Report Form R-1, Schedule 250, "Consolidated Information for Revenue Adequacy Determination." The data contained in Schedule 250 differ somewhat from the data in the Form RE&I, and are therefore not totally compatible.