

REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY (See Instructions on reverse)		LEAVE BLANK (NARA use only)	
TO: NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NIR) WASHINGTON, DC 20408		JOB NUMBER	N1-134-96-3
1. FROM (Agency or establishment) Dept. of Transportation		DATE RECEIVED	6-30-96
2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION Surface Transportation Board		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
3. MINOR SUBDIVISION Office of the Secretary		In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10.	
4. NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER	5. TELEPHONE	DATE	ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES
E.C. Fernandez	565-1655 202-927-5642	10-14-97	John W. Carl

6. AGENCY CERTIFICATION
I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached _____ page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies,

is not required; is attached; or has been requested.

DATE	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE	TITLE
6/25/96	<i>Eduardo C. Hernandez</i>	Records Officer

7. ITEM NO.	8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10. ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
	<p><u>RATE BUREAU AGREEMENTS:</u></p> <p>Records filed with the Surface Transportation Board under new 49 U.S.C. 10706, Rate Agreements: exemption from antitrust laws and 49 U.S.C. 13703, Certain collective activities; exemption from antitrust laws, include railroad and motor carrier rate bureau agreements and amendments submitted for Board approval, confidential transcripts or sound recordings of rate bureau meetings and voting records, and shipper agreements with regard to compensation for the use by rail carriers of shipper-owned or leased rolling stock. Records were formerly filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission under 49 U.S.C. 10706(a) and (b). Section 10706(a) pertained to railroads and section 10706(b) pertained to motor carriers.</p> <p>Prior to 1976, motor and rail agreements were governed by section 5a of the Interstate Commerce Act (ICA). The Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, Pub. L. No. 94-210, 90 Stat. 31, amended section 5a of the ICA, effective November 1, 1976, by deleting reference to railroads, and enacted a new section 5b governing railroad collective ratemaking agreements. In 1978, sections 5a and 5b were recodified as 49 U.S.C. 10706(b) and 10706(a), respectively.</p> <p>Maintain at the Board for a period of 3 years, transfer to the Federal Center in 3 year blocks. Dispose of 30 years thereafter. *Cut off every three years and transfer to the Washington National Records Center. Destroy 30 years after cutoff.</p> <p>*Rewording of disposal instructions authorized by E. C. Fernandez per telegram of 10/1/97</p>		