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VIA ELECTRONIC AND FIRST-CLASS MAIL

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All General Chairmen

Re: Circular Letter No. GC-2019-17

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

Enclosed herewith please find a Section 6 Notice received this morning from the National Carriers' Conference Committee ("NCCC")—along with Attachments A and B thereto—on behalf of the carriers who have authorized NCCC to represent them in the bargaining round that is now beginning. Please note that the following carriers have provided authorization for Health & Welfare issues only:

- CSX Transportation, Inc., including subsidiaries Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company (Former), Baltimore & Ohio Chicago Terminal Railroad Company (Former), Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company (Former), Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad Company (Former), Clinchfield Railroad Company (Former), Consolidated Rail Corporation (Former), Toledo Terminal Railroad Company (Former), Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company (Former), Monon Railroad Company (Former), Pere Marquette Railroad Company (Former), Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Company (Former), Western Maryland Railroad Company (Former), Richmond Fredericksburg & Potomac Railroad Company (Former), Gainesville Midland Railroad Company (Former);
- Delaware & Hudson Railroad Company d.b.a. C.P.;
- Northeast Illinois Regional Commuter Railroad Corporation (METRA);
- Soo Line Railroad Company d.b.a. C.P.; and
- Union Railroad Company.

NCCC has proposed that initial conferences be waived on its notice and any notices that may be served by BLET. We are just beginning to receive authorizations from the various General Committees of Adjustment to represent them in this round of bargaining. I will acknowledge receipt of the Notice later today, but will wait to advise the NCCC on their proposal to waive all initial conferences until after our internal processes are completed.

Individual property Section 6 Notices that are misdirected to my office will be forwarded to the appropriate GCA(s) as soon as possible, and additional information will be provided to affected GCAs as it becomes available. With warmest personal regards, I remain



Fraternally yours,

National President

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cc: E. L. Pruitt, First Vice President (w/encl.)

S. J. Bruno, National Secretary-Treasurer (w/encl.)

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