



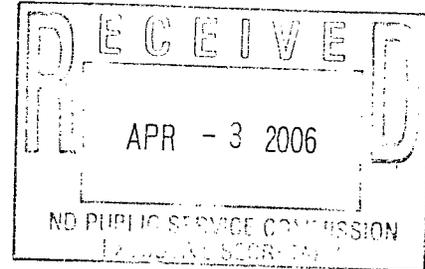
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Mr. Jon Mielke
Executive Secretary
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State Capitol, 12th Floor
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Dear Mr. Mielke,

Please find enclosed your copy of the 2005 Surface Transportation Board Annual Report (Form R-1) for the BNSF Railway Company. Additionally, we have included your respective state's results of operations for BNSF and the Annual Report to Shareholders for Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation.

Should these filings no longer be required or the contact information needs to be updated, please notify Thermara Smith at (817) 352-4051 or thermara.smith@bnsf.com.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (817) 352-4814 or Angela Coleman at (817) 352-4932.

Sincerely,

Darsi D. Brown
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