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The ALLIANCE FOR RAIL COMPETITION together with MONTANA WHEAT & BARLEY COMMITTEE, COLORADO WHEAT ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE, IDAHO BARLEY COMMISSION, Idaho Grain Producers Association, IDAHO WHEAT COMMISSION, MONTANA FARMERS UNION, NEBRASKA WHEAT BOARD, OKLAHOMA WHEAT COMMISSION, SOUTH DAKOTA WHEAT COMMISSION, TEXAS WHEAT PRODUCERS BOARD, WASHINGTON GRAIN COMMISSION, WYOMING WHEAT MARKETING COMMISSION, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WHEAT GROWERS, and U.S. CLAY PRODUCERS TRAFFIC ASSOCIATION, INC. banded together in June, 2013 to represent captive and agricultural producers in front of the Surface Transportation Board (STB) in a proceeding to modernize the Uniform Rail Costing System (URCS) (Opening Comments in DOCKET NO. EP 431 (Sub-No. 4) REVIEW OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE COSTING SYSTEM). John Cutler, Washington DC; Gerald Fauth, Alexandria, VA and Terry Whiteside – Whiteside & Associates, Billings, Montana formed a team to represent the group. While we realize this discussion is somewhat technical, this is one of the most important proceedings in front of the STB. Therefore, we want all of you to understand the breadth of activities of the group including representing producer's interests at the STB. We have attached a full

report plus the Opening Statement and the Verified Statement of Gerald Fauth.