VERIFIED NOTICE OF SUBCONTRACTORS CLAIM FOR LIEN ON PUBLIC FUNDS PURSUANT TO 770 ILCS 60/23

STATE OF WISCONSIN)

SS. COUNTY OF DANE)

TO: McClobert DiRubbo
Union Switch and Signal Inc.
1000 Technology Drive
Pittsburgh Connsylvania 15219

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Railroad Corporation, LVB/A
METRA/Metropolitan Rail
547 W. Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, Illinois 60661

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EACH OF YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

American Systems Technologies Inc. ("AST"), which has its principe! place of business at 421 South Nine Mound Road, Verona, Wisconsin 53593 was employed by Union Switch and Signal Inc. ("US&S") to furnish, design, install and test an upgraded signal system from Tower B-12 Interlocking located in Franklin Park, Illinois to Silver Lake, Wisconsin pursuant to a contract with US&S dated September 12, 1995, Contract No. K50854 between US&S and AST (the "Contract").

AST designed, furnished, installed and tested said switch system for which labor and materials were used and incorporated into the upgrade of the Wisconsin Central Limited Railroad trucks as set forth in the Contract. AST completed the design, furnishing, installation and testing of the signal system on or about August 8, 1997.

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There is now due and owing to AST from US&S despite demand therefore the sum of FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTEEN DOLLARS (\$534,816) for the materials supplied and labor expended by AST and used for and/or incorporated into the improvements described above. This is based upon a total contract price with extras of \$2,919,004 less payments of \$2,384,188 all as shown in the invoices (summary of invoices) attached hereto as Group Exhibit A.

AST claims a lien against the money, bonds or warrants due or to become due to US&S for a total sum of FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTEEN DOLLARS (\$534,816).

You are notified to withhold from payments due US&S funds sufficient to pay this claim.

DATED at Verona, Wisconsin this 26th day of August, 1997.

AMERICAN SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES INC.

By: David Kraus, its
Comptroller

STATE OF WISCONSIN) SS.

COUNTY OF DANE

David Kraus, being first duly sworn, on oath depcs: and states that he is the Comptroller of American Systems Technologies Inc., named above, that he is authorized to make this Affidavit on behalf of same, that he has read the contents of this Verified Notice of Subcontracts Claim for Lien on Public Funds and knows the statements it contains are true.

David Kraus

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 26 and day of August, 1997

Notary Public

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AMERICAN SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

A Subsidiary of ABC Rail Products Corp.
421 South Nine Mound Road
Verona, WI 53593
608-845-8777
608-845-6999 (FAX)

Union Switch & Signal 1000 Technology Drive Attn: Mr. Douglas Humey Pittsburgh, PA 15219 invoice: 7676

Date: 04/30/97

Billing Period: April 30, 1997

Billing: Progress #18

Job Number.

7MW1633

Signal System on the Wisconsin Central Railroad

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Work Completed through April, 1997

Original Contract & Change Modes

95,456.11

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

95,456.11

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AMERICAN SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Complete Railroad Engineering 421 South Nine Mound Road Verona, WI 53593 608-845-8777 608-845-6999 (FAX)

Customer: Union Switch & Signal

120 Technology Drive

Atm: Mr. Douglas Hurney

Plttsburgh, PA 15219

Invoice: 7424

Date: 11/30/96

Billing Period: 11/30/96

Billing: Progress #14

Job:7MW1633

Signal System for The Wicconsin Central RR

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Work Completed through November, 1996

Original Contract & Change Modes

TOTAL DUE

130,279.84

NET: 30 DAYS

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Customer:

Union Switch & Signal

#200 Technology Drive

Atta: Mr. Douglas Hurney

Pitleburgh, PA 15219

Invoice: 7454

Date: 12/31/96

Billing Period: 12/31/96

Billing: Progress #15

Job:7MW1633

Signal System for The Wisconsin Central RR

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Work Completed through December, 1996

Original Contract & Change Modes

TOTAL DUE

61,970.45

NET: 30 DAYS

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Complete Rallroad Engineering 421 South Nine Mound Road Verona, WI 53593 608-845-8777 608-845-6999 (FAX)

Customer:

Union Switch & Signal

1900 Technology Drive

Aim: Mr. Douglas Hurney

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Invoice: 7486

Date: 02/20/97

Billing Period: 02/20/97

Billing: Progress #16

Job:7MW1633

Signal System for The Wisconsin Central RR

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Work Completed through February, 1997

Original Contract & Change Modes

TOTAL DUE

188,784.60

NET: 30 DAYS

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Complete Railroad Engineering 421 South Nine Mound Road Verona, WI 53593 608-845-8777 608-845-6999 (FAX)

Customer: Union Switch & Signal

1000 Technology Drive

Attn: Nr. Douglas Hurney

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Invoice: 7591

Date: 04/14/97

Billing Period: 03/31/97

Billing: Progress #17

Job:7MW1633

Signal System for The Wisconsin Central RR

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Work Completed through March, 1997

Original Contract & Change Modes

58,325.00

TOTAL DUE

58,325.00

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