

EXAMINATION

1
2 BY MR. MC GREW:

3 Q Mr. Barry, are you familiar with the
4 Elk River branch in the state of Idaho?

5 A Yes.

6 Q What type of product normally moves on
7 the Elk River branch?

8 A Logs, chips, lumber, and occasionally cars
9 of grain off of the W.I. & M. Railroad.

10 Q Are some of these Potlatch logs?

11 A Yes, sir.

12 Q Is this a substantial log movement?

13 A Yes, sir.

14 Q Do these logs originate at new origins,
15 such as -- I will name a couple of them.

16 Bovill, Clarkia and Avery?

17 A Yes, sir.

18 Q Do these log cars on the Elk River branch
19 move in multiple lots?

20 A There is a -- I would say multiple lots.

21 Q Could you give me some idea of how many
22 cars in a trainload move out of there?

23 A Well, we have right now, with an operation
24 we are running, two trains up there. And one train
25 is usually getting up and 60 to 30 cars and the other

1 train is running around 60 to 80. They come pretty
2 close, depending on our loading at Clarkia.

3 Q Would you say at Bovill to St. Marias
4 you receive approximately 60 log cars per day?

5 A No, I would more or less say around 40
6 would be a fairly decent figure, 40 to 45 cars.

7 Q Is that the normal daily requirement
8 there?

9 A Since the -- I haven't put their's in
10 there. That's 25. Yours is around 20 to 25. I
11 would say around 40 to 50 cars daily during your
12 heavy log loading.

13 Q How many at Clarkia? What is the daily
14 requirement there for log cars?

15 A The daily requirement is 90 cars, 50 on
16 your side and 40 on the other side.

17 Q Are those cars blocked and moved in a
18 block?

19 A When they are --
20 I don't understand that, Mr. McGrew.

21 Q Once the cars are loaded, do they move in
22 a block of cars from one origin to one destination?

23 A Yes. They will move from Clarkia --
24 We are talking about Clarkia now?

25 Q Yes.

1 A. Right. To St. Maries and then
2 interswitch to either your plant at St. Maries, or
3 the cars go up the river to Coeur D'Alene.

4 Q. The line from Elk River to Bovill --
5 these are both in Idaho -- is that approximately 20
6 miles?

7 A. It is approximately 20 miles. Yes,
8 approximately 20 miles.

9 Q. Would you say that this is the most
10 expensive operating mileage on the Elk River branch?

11 A. I will have to agree with you.

12 Q. Did Potlatch agree earlier this year to
13 discontinue the movement of logs from Elk River to
14 Bovill?

15 A. Yes, sir.

16 Q. Is that true today?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. Do you have any single car movements of
19 any kind on the Elk River branch?

20 A. Today?

21 Q. Yes.

22 A. Not right now we are not. They do load
23 shakes up at Elk River.

24 Q. Do those move in interstate or intrastate?

25 A. Those are interstate.

1 Q On the Elk River branch, can you
2 separate your operating costs when you move
3 intrastate and interstate on the same train?

4 A No, sir.

5 Q Can the Milwaukee do this anywhere else
6 in the United States?

7 A Not to my knowledge.

8 Q Do you maintain the Elk River branch in
9 a manner similar to the main line?

10 A Do we maintain it in the same manner as
11 the main line?

12 We maintain the Elk River line branch
13 under the FRA standards, branch line standards.

14 Q Is that standard for all railroads,
15 FRA?

16 A I couldn't answer that.

17 MR. BOYD: Yes.

18 Q BY MR. MC GREW: Do you have any speed
19 restrictions on the Elk River branch?

20 A Yes, sir.

21 Q Is that due to normal practice, is it
22 the track conditions, or what?

23 A It is due to the track conditions. The
24 speed restrictions are due to our track.

25 Q On all cars that you utilize on the Elk

1 River branch, do you have any idea what the average
2 age of those cars are?

3 A. The gondolas are about 32 to 35 years of
4 age, and the log flats that we have have been
5 rebuilt starting about 1960, in that area. We are
6 still rebuilding more log flats.

7 Q. How many cars do you have on the Elk River
8 branch in service?

9 A. I have 120 gondolas; I have 95 five foot
10 stake log flats; and I have at this time 200 seven
11 foot stake flats. 415

12 Q. Has the Milwaukee docketed a request
13 for an increase on logs in northern Idaho on the
14 Elk River branch?

15 A. I couldn't answer that. I don't know.

16 MR. MC GREW: I have no further questions.

17 COMMISSIONER SHURTLIFF: Thank you.

18 Do you have any cross-examination,
19 Mr. Batchelder?

20 MR. BATCHELDER: No, sir.

21 COMMISSIONER SHURTLIFF: Mr. Boyd?

22 MR. BOYD: No redirect.

23 COMMISSIONER SHURTLIFF: Commissioner Lenaghan?
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