# Colorado Rail Relocation Implementation Study

Air Quality Analysis

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## Introduction

This report looks at the air quality emissions as a result of the R2C2 project. The R2C2 project examines the rerouting of a significant number of freight rail trips away from the urban Front Range area in Colorado to counties within the eastern plains. The air quality emissions are estimated for Alignments A and B as increments against the No Build alignment emissions.

A planning horizon for this study covers twenty years, 2012 to 2032. Emissions were estimated for each of these years.

# **Existing Conditions**

The EPA air quality monitoring is confined to areas with the potential for exceeding the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). In the eastern plains, the only criteria pollutant examined was particulate matter in the neighboring Prowers County. The town of Lamar in Prowers County (which borders Bent County) had a problem meeting the  $PM_{10}$  (particulate matter smaller than 10 microns in the aerodynamic diameter) standard due to the area's semiarid nature and fugitive dust largely from agricultural operations. Lamar has not violated the standard since 1992 and was re-designated to an attainment status in 2005, i.e., the monitored  $PM_{10}$  levels were consistently below the standard, but the area remains under observation (i.e., currently a maintenance area). There are two  $PM_{10}$  monitors in Prowers County in Lamar, one in the residential area in the city, the other in the industrial/commercial rural area. Table 1 presents the highest  $PM_{10}$  monitored levels at both monitors for the last complete 3 years (2005-2007). The levels in Table 1 indicate that  $PM_{10}$  concentrations in Lamar were below the 24-hour  $PM_{10}$  NAAQS of 150 µg/m<sup>3</sup> in the last three years.

| Site Address             | Land Lice    | NAAOS | Year |      |      |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------|------|------|------|--|--|--|
| Site Auuress             | Lanu Use     | NAAQS | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |  |  |  |
| 104 Parmenter            | Residential, | 150   | 108  | 116  | 58   |  |  |  |
| Street, Lamar            | Urban        |       |      |      |      |  |  |  |
| 10 North 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Commercial,  | 150   | 116  | 136  | 93   |  |  |  |
| Avenue,                  | Rural        |       |      |      |      |  |  |  |
| Lamar                    |              |       |      |      |      |  |  |  |

Table 1: Highest  $PM_{10}$  Concentrations Monitored at Lamar, Prowers County, CO ( $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup>)

# Train Emissions

The bypass of freight trains is expected to shorten train routes and allow the trains to move faster. These changes are expected to result in significant time savings for the train operations. Table 2 presents the estimated annual time reductions (in comparison with the No Build under both proposed relocation alignments).

### Table 2: Annual Rail Time Reductions Relative to the No Build (hours)

|      |        | Alignment A |         |        | Alinment B |         |
|------|--------|-------------|---------|--------|------------|---------|
|      |        |             | Total   |        |            | Total   |
| Year | BNSF   | UP          | savings | BNSF   | UP         | savings |
| 2012 | 28,994 | 534         | 29,528  | 45,719 | 1,721      | 47,440  |
| 2013 | 29,527 | 544         | 30,072  | 46,560 | 1,753      | 48,313  |
| 2014 | 30,071 | 554         | 30,625  | 47,417 | 1,785      | 49,202  |
| 2015 | 30,624 | 565         | 31,188  | 48,290 | 1,818      | 50,107  |
| 2016 | 31,187 | 575         | 31,762  | 49,178 | 1,851      | 51,029  |
| 2017 | 31,761 | 585         | 32,347  | 50,083 | 1,885      | 51,968  |
| 2018 | 32,346 | 596         | 32,942  | 51,005 | 1,920      | 52,924  |
| 2019 | 32,941 | 607         | 33,548  | 51,943 | 1,955      | 53,898  |
| 2020 | 33,547 | 618         | 34,165  | 52,899 | 1,991      | 54,890  |
| 2021 | 34,164 | 630         | 34,794  | 53,872 | 2,028      | 55,900  |
| 2022 | 34,793 | 641         | 35,434  | 54,863 | 2,065      | 56,929  |
| 2023 | 35,433 | 653         | 36,086  | 55,873 | 2,103      | 57,976  |
| 2024 | 36,085 | 665         | 36,750  | 56,901 | 2,142      | 59,043  |
| 2025 | 36,749 | 677         | 37,426  | 57,948 | 2,181      | 60,129  |
| 2026 | 37,425 | 690         | 38,115  | 59,014 | 2,221      | 61,236  |
| 2027 | 38,114 | 703         | 38,816  | 60,100 | 2,262      | 62,362  |
| 2028 | 38,815 | 715         | 39,530  | 61,206 | 2,304      | 63,510  |
| 2029 | 39,529 | 729         | 40,258  | 62,332 | 2,346      | 64,678  |
| 2030 | 40,256 | 742         | 40,999  | 63,479 | 2,389      | 65,868  |
| 2031 | 40,997 | 756         | 41,753  | 64,647 | 2,433      | 67,080  |
| 2032 | 41,752 | 770         | 42,521  | 65,836 | 2,478      | 68,315  |

Time savings will translate into emission savings: the less time the locomotive is in operation, the less emissions it should exhaust. Emission savings were estimated under both alignments relative to the No Build alignment under the assumption that locomotive operating conditions under all three alignments would be the same.

It was assumed that the freight trains under consideration will have three locomotives (on average) of 6000 horse power (hp) each. The average locomotive load factor was assumed to be 0.275. This load factor is the same as used for the line-haul locomotives in the *Regulatory Impact Analysis* carried out by the EPA in support of the final *Locomotive Emission Standards* (June, 2008). The load factor is the ratio of the average horsepower in use to the rated horsepower of the engine.

Locomotive emissions are regulated by emission standards set up for the year of manufacture or re-manufacture. Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) suggested that Tier 2 emission standards should be used in this study. Locomotives that are subjected to the Tier 2 emission standards had to be manufactured or remanufactured between years 2005 and 2011. Tier 2 locomotive emissions were conservatively assumed for all years of analysis in this study (see Attachments 1 and 2 for locomotive emission standards for all tiers). Locomotives for tier 3 (i.e., those manufactured between 2012 – 2014) require significant reductions in particulate matter, and those for Tier 4 (i.e., those manufactured after 2015) are to continue reductions in particulate matter as well as in all other measured pollutants with the exception of CO and SO<sub>2</sub>.

Locomotive emission standards are applied to the exhaust hydrocarbon emissions (HC). However, regional emissions are estimated for volatile organic compounds (VOC) that include some small additional amount of volatile dust particles not of hydrocarbon origin. To account for them, an additional 0.53 percent was added to total HC emissions following the methodology in the *Regulatory Impact Analysis*.

It was assumed that locomotive particulate emissions consist entirely of  $PM_{10}$ . In order to estimate  $PM_{2.5}$  (particulate matter smaller than 2.5 microns in the aerodynamic diameter) emissions from the total particulate emissions that are regulated for locomotives are adjusted by a factor of 0.97. These assumptions followed the *Regulatory Impact Analysis* assumptions.

Sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) emissions from locomotives were estimated following the methodology described in the EPA's *Non Road Model*. The use of ultra low sulfur fuel is mandated to locomotives after 2012 thus covering all analysis years. Sulfur content of the diesel fuel considered in this analysis was 15 ppm.

Locomotive emission factors used in this study are presented in the Table 3 for all pollutants that were considered.

| Pollutant           | <b>Tier 2 Emission Factor</b> |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|                     | g/bhp-hr                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| СО                  | 1.5                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| NO <sub>x</sub>     | 5.5                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| VOC                 | 0.32                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| PM <sub>10</sub>    | 0.14                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| PM <sub>2.5</sub>   | 0.136                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| SO <sub>2</sub>     | 0.45                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Year of Manufacture | 2005-2011                     |  |  |  |  |  |

**Table 3: Locomotive Emission Factors** 

Annual emissions under both Alignments A and B will be lower than the No Build for all years of analysis due to the savings in train operation time. Reductions from the No Build are presented in Table 4 as savings in emissions compared to emissions under the No Build alignment.

|      | Ar    | nual Emis               | sion Decre        | ase Under       | Alternative | Α               | Annual Emission Decrease Under Alternative |                         |                   |        | В     |                 |
|------|-------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|--|-------------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|-----------------|
| Year | CO    | <b>PM</b> <sub>10</sub> | PM <sub>2.5</sub> | NO <sub>x</sub> | VOC         | SO <sub>2</sub> | CO   | <b>PM</b> <sub>10</sub> | PM <sub>2.5</sub> | NOx    | VOC   | SO <sub>2</sub> |
| 2012 | 219.2 | 20.5                    | 19.8              | 803.9           | 46.2        | 66.3            | 352.2                                      | 32.9                    | 31.9              | 1291.6 | 74.2  | 106.5           |
| 2013 | 223.3 | 20.8                    | 20.2              | 818.7           | 47.0        | 67.5            | 358.7                                      | 33.5                    | 32.5              | 1315.3 | 75.5  | 108.5           |
| 2014 | 227.4 | 21.2                    | 20.6              | 833.8           | 47.9        | 68.8            | 365.3                                      | 34.1                    | 33.1              | 1339.5 | 76.9  | 110.5           |
| 2015 | 231.6 | 21.6                    | 21.0              | 849.1           | 48.8        | 70.0            | 372.0                                      | 34.7                    | 33.7              | 1364.2 | 78.4  | 112.5           |
| 2016 | 235.8 | 22.0                    | 21.4              | 864.7           | 49.7        | 71.3            | 378.9                                      | 35.4                    | 34.3              | 1389.3 | 79.8  | 114.6           |
| 2017 | 240.2 | 22.4                    | 21.7              | 880.6           | 50.6        | 72.6            | 385.9                                      | 36.0                    | 34.9              | 1414.8 | 81.3  | 116.7           |
| 2018 | 244.6 | 22.8                    | 22.1              | 896.8           | 51.5        | 74.0            | 393.0                                      | 36.7                    | 35.6              | 1440.9 | 82.8  | 118.8           |
| 2019 | 249.1 | 23.2                    | 22.6              | 913.3           | 52.5        | 75.3            | 400.2                                      | 37.4                    | 36.2              | 1467.4 | 84.3  | 121.0           |
| 2020 | 253.7 | 23.7                    | 23.0              | 930.1           | 53.4        | 76.7            | 407.6                                      | 38.0                    | 36.9              | 1494.4 | 85.8  | 123.2           |
| 2021 | 258.3 | 24.1                    | 23.4              | 947.3           | 54.4        | 78.1            | 415.1                                      | 38.7                    | 37.6              | 1521.9 | 87.4  | 125.5           |
| 2022 | 263.1 | 24.6                    | 23.8              | 964.7           | 55.4        | 79.5            | 422.7                                      | 39.5                    | 38.3              | 1549.9 | 89.0  | 127.8           |
| 2023 | 267.9 | 25.0                    | 24.3              | 982.4           | 56.4        | 81.0            | 430.5                                      | 40.2                    | 39.0              | 1578.4 | 90.7  | 130.2           |
| 2024 | 272.9 | 25.5                    | 24.7              | 1000.5          | 57.5        | 82.5            | 438.4                                      | 40.9                    | 39.7              | 1607.4 | 92.3  | 132.5           |
| 2025 | 277.9 | 25.9                    | 25.2              | 1018.9          | 58.5        | 84.0            | 446.5                                      | 41.7                    | 40.4              | 1637.0 | 94.0  | 135.0           |
| 2026 | 283.0 | 26.4                    | 25.6              | 1037.7          | 59.6        | 85.6            | 454.7                                      | 42.4                    | 41.2              | 1667.1 | 95.8  | 137.5           |
| 2027 | 288.2 | 26.9                    | 26.1              | 1056.8          | 60.7        | 87.1            | 463.0                                      | 43.2                    | 41.9              | 1697.8 | 97.5  | 140.0           |
| 2028 | 293.5 | 27.4                    | 26.6              | 1076.2          | 61.8        | 88.7            | 471.6                                      | 44.0                    | 42.7              | 1729.1 | 99.3  | 142.6           |
| 2029 | 298.9 | 27.9                    | 27.1              | 1096.0          | 63.0        | 90.4            | 480.2                                      | 44.8                    | 43.5              | 1760.9 | 101.1 | 145.2           |
| 2030 | 304.4 | 28.4                    | 27.6              | 1116.2          | 64.1        | 92.0            | 489.1                                      | 45.6                    | 44.3              | 1793.3 | 103.0 | 147.9           |
| 2031 | 310.0 | 28.9                    | 28.1              | 1136.7          | 65.3        | 93.7            | 498.1                                      | 46.5                    | 45.1              | 1826.3 | 104.9 | 150.6           |
| 2032 | 315.7 | 29.5                    | 28.6              | 1157.6          | 66.5        | 95.5            | 507.2                                      | 47.3                    | 45.9              | 1859.9 | 106.8 | 153.4           |

### Table 4: Annual Train Emission Reductions under the Build Alignments over the No Build Alignment (in metric tons)

# **Idling at Rail Crossings**

Relocating a majority of the freight rail traffic from the Front Range to the less populated areas in the East Colorado is expected to significantly decrease rail crossing delays both because the rail will intersect with less congested highways and because the trains will be able to achieve faster speeds.

Table 5 shows the delay reductions for the proposed alignments compared with the future No Build alignment for the years of analysis.

|      | Reduction   | ns in hours |
|------|-------------|-------------|
| Year | Alignment A | Alignment B |
| 2012 | 60,528      | 59,408      |
| 2013 | 61,570      | 60,429      |
| 2014 | 62,629      | 61,469      |
| 2015 | 63,706      | 62,526      |
| 2016 | 64,801      | 63,601      |
| 2017 | 65,916      | 64,695      |
| 2018 | 67,050      | 65,808      |
| 2019 | 68,203      | 66,940      |
| 2020 | 69,376      | 68,091      |
| 2021 | 70,569      | 69,263      |
| 2022 | 71,783      | 70,454      |
| 2023 | 73,018      | 71,666      |
| 2024 | 74,274      | 72,898      |
| 2025 | 75,551      | 74,152      |
| 2026 | 76,851      | 75,428      |
| 2027 | 78,173      | 76,725      |
| 2028 | 79,517      | 78,045      |
| 2029 | 80,885      | 79,387      |
| 2030 | 82,276      | 80,752      |
| 2031 | 83,691      | 82,141      |
| 2032 | 85,131      | 83,554      |

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In order to estimate emission reductions that will result from the decrease of delays at the crossings, emission factors from the latest version of the EPA vehicle emission model, Mobile 6.2.03, were used. Emission factors were estimated for the light and the heavy-duty vehicles utilizing the current Colorado inspection and maintenance and vehicle classification information obtained from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Idle emission factors used in this study are presented in Attachment 3. The resultant emission reductions as savings over emissions under the No Build alignment are shown in Table 6.

|      | Annual lo | dle Emissior | n Reduction | under Alter             | native A          | Annual Idle Emission Reduction under Alternative B |      |      |                         |                   |
|------|-----------|--------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--|------|------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Year | VOC       | CO           | NOx         | <b>PM</b> <sub>10</sub> | PM <sub>2.5</sub> | VOC  | CO   | NOx  | <b>PM</b> <sub>10</sub> | PM <sub>2.5</sub> |
| 2012 | 1.21      | 4.92         | 0.33        | 0.067                   | 0.062             | 1.19   | 4.83 | 0.33 | 0.066                   | 0.061             |
| 2013 | 1.13      | 4.79         | 0.31        | 0.067                   | 0.062             | 1.11   | 4.70 | 0.30 | 0.066                   | 0.061             |
| 2014 | 1.05      | 4.68         | 0.29        | 0.068                   | 0.062             | 1.04   | 4.59 | 0.28 | 0.067                   | 0.061             |
| 2015 | 1.01      | 4.62         | 0.27        | 0.066                   | 0.061             | 0.99   | 4.53 | 0.26 | 0.065                   | 0.060             |
| 2016 | 0.98      | 4.56         | 0.25        | 0.067                   | 0.062             | 0.96   | 4.47 | 0.25 | 0.066                   | 0.060             |
| 2017 | 0.96      | 4.53         | 0.23        | 0.068                   | 0.062             | 0.94   | 4.44 | 0.23 | 0.067                   | 0.061             |
| 2018 | 0.95      | 4.49         | 0.22        | 0.067                   | 0.062             | 0.93   | 4.41 | 0.22 | 0.066                   | 0.061             |
| 2019 | 0.93      | 4.48         | 0.21        | 0.068                   | 0.063             | 0.91   | 4.40 | 0.20 | 0.067                   | 0.062             |
| 2020 | 0.81      | 4.49         | 0.20        | 0.070                   | 0.064             | 0.80   | 4.41 | 0.20 | 0.068                   | 0.063             |
| 2021 | 0.80      | 4.51         | 0.20        | 0.071                   | 0.065             | 0.78   | 4.43 | 0.19 | 0.070                   | 0.064             |
| 2022 | 0.77      | 4.55         | 0.19        | 0.072                   | 0.066             | 0.76   | 4.46 | 0.19 | 0.071                   | 0.065             |
| 2023 | 0.77      | 4.59         | 0.18        | 0.073                   | 0.067             | 0.76   | 4.51 | 0.18 | 0.072                   | 0.066             |
| 2024 | 0.78      | 4.64         | 0.18        | 0.075                   | 0.069             | 0.77   | 4.56 | 0.17 | 0.073                   | 0.067             |
| 2025 | 0.79      | 4.65         | 0.17        | 0.076                   | 0.070             | 0.77   | 4.57 | 0.17 | 0.074                   | 0.068             |
| 2026 | 0.80      | 4.70         | 0.17        | 0.077                   | 0.071             | 0.78   | 4.62 | 0.17 | 0.076                   | 0.070             |
| 2027 | 0.81      | 4.75         | 0.17        | 0.078                   | 0.072             | 0.79   | 4.67 | 0.16 | 0.077                   | 0.071             |
| 2028 | 0.82      | 4.74         | 0.16        | 0.080                   | 0.073             | 0.80   | 4.66 | 0.16 | 0.078                   | 0.072             |
| 2029 | 0.83      | 4.83         | 0.16        | 0.081                   | 0.075             | 0.81   | 4.74 | 0.16 | 0.080                   | 0.073             |
| 2030 | 0.84      | 4.90         | 0.16        | 0.083                   | 0.076             | 0.83   | 4.81 | 0.16 | 0.081                   | 0.075             |
| 2031 | 0.85      | 4.97         | 0.16        | 0.084                   | 0.077             | 0.84   | 4.87 | 0.15 | 0.082                   | 0.076             |
| 2032 | 0.87      | 5.04         | 0.16        | 0.085                   | 0.079             | 0.85   | 4.95 | 0.15 | 0.084                   | 0.077             |

### Table 6: Annual Idle Emission Reductions under the Build Alignments over the No Build Alignment (in metric tons)

# **Total Emission Savings**

The total emission reductions for all future years are presented in Table 7. The total reduction is a sum of reductions in train emissions and reductions in vehicular idle emissions at the rail crossings. It should be noted that rail emission decreases are much greater than decreases in vehicular emissions at rail crossings. This is in part because freight train emissions are orders of magnitude higher than vehicular emissions. Locomotive engines are more powerful than vehicular and the three locomotives (on average) per train were assumed necessary to move the heavy cargo. In addition, the time savings for the rail operations and at the rail crossings are comparable in scale.

# **Statewide Emissions**

According to the 2008 EPA's *Report on the Environment* criteria pollutant emissions will decline in the State of Colorado along with emissions in the rest of the US. Figures 1 through 6 that are taken from this report indicate that all regions demonstrate decrease in emissions for criteria pollutants in the most recent years when data is available. Colorado is in the EPA's Region 8. The states within Region 8 have consistently lower emissions than most others – see Figures 1 through 6. The proposed relocation will additionally reduce emissions in the State of Colorado under both proposed alignments as estimated in this study.

# **Future Local Conditions in Eastern Colorado**

Most emission sources in the state of Colorado are located in the Front Range area. The Eastern Plain counties are assumed to contribute small amounts to the state-wide emissions as is indicated by the attainment with the health-related NAAQS examined and by the lack of industries and man-induced uses which are known to contribute to poor air quality (i.e., significant roadway congestion). Relocation of the some of the freight rail to the eastern counties will increase emissions but this increase is not anticipated to be of the magnitude to compromise air quality in the region. The only problematic pollutant in the Eastern Plains was particulate matter ( $PM_{10}$ ). The  $PM_{10}$  levels in the border county to the study area (i.e., Prowers County) had concentrations below the  $PM_{10}$  NAAQS in the recent years. Several state  $PM_{10}$  monitors in the area were discontinued because concentrations that they monitored were below the  $PM_{10}$  standard and had a downward trend. It is not anticipated, therefore, that emissions of the freight rail will increase concentrations of  $PM_{10}$  to the level that would be close or exceed the  $PM_{10}$  standard. Concentrations of all analyzed pollutants in the Front Range corridor will decrease with the proposed relocation of the freight rail away from this area.

# Conclusions

The proposed re-routing of the freight rail to the Eastern Plains is anticipated to bring significant reductions in state-wide emissions in Colorado. CO,  $NO_x$ , PM, SO<sub>2</sub> and VOC emissions analyzed in this study demonstrated reductions in the range from tens to thousands of metric tons annually. Air quality in the Front Range corridor will improve with the proposed relocation, while local concentrations in Eastern Colorado may

increase but are anticipated to remain below the appropriate ambient air quality standards due to the following factors:

- The air quality levels in Eastern Colorado are currently well below standards.
- EPA only monitors for PM<sub>10</sub> in Prowers County because it is a maintenance area for PM<sub>10</sub>, but the monitored PM<sub>10</sub> concentrations did not exceed the standard there since 1998.
- Air quality levels at the Front Range monitors located close to the project corridor currently do not exceed the standards for the pollutants of concern considered in this study.

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|      | Annual Emission Reduction under Alternative A |       |         |                         |                   | Annual Emission Reduction under Alternative B |       |       |         |                         |                   |                 |
|------|---|-------|---------|-------------------------|-------------------|---|-------|-------|---------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Year | VOC   | CO    | NOx     | <b>PM</b> <sub>10</sub> | PM <sub>2.5</sub> | SO <sub>2</sub>                               | VOC   | СО    | NOx     | <b>PM</b> <sub>10</sub> | PM <sub>2.5</sub> | SO <sub>2</sub> |
| 2012 | 47.4  | 224.2 | 804.2   | 20.5                    | 19.9              | 66.3  | 75.4  | 357.1 | 1,291.9 | 32.9                    | 32.0              | 106.5           |
| 2013 | 48.1  | 228.1 | 819.0   | 20.9                    | 20.3              | 67.5  | 76.7  | 363.4 | 1,315.6 | 33.5                    | 32.5              | 108.5           |
| 2014 | 48.9  | 232.1 | 834.0   | 21.3                    | 20.6              | 68.8  | 78.0  | 369.9 | 1,339.8 | 34.2                    | 33.1              | 110.5           |
| 2015 | 49.8  | 236.2 | 849.4   | 21.7                    | 21.0              | 70.0  | 79.3  | 376.6 | 1,364.4 | 34.8                    | 33.7              | 112.5           |
| 2016 | 50.6  | 240.4 | 865.0   | 22.1                    | 21.4              | 71.3  | 80.8  | 383.4 | 1,389.5 | 35.4                    | 34.4              | 114.6           |
| 2017 | 51.5  | 244.7 | 880.9   | 22.5                    | 21.8              | 72.6  | 82.2  | 390.3 | 1,415.1 | 36.1                    | 35.0              | 116.7           |
| 2018 | 52.5  | 249.1 | 897.1   | 22.9                    | 22.2              | 74.0  | 83.7  | 397.4 | 1,441.1 | 36.7                    | 35.6              | 118.8           |
| 2019 | 53.4  | 253.6 | 913.6   | 23.3                    | 22.6              | 75.3  | 85.2  | 404.6 | 1,467.6 | 37.4                    | 36.3              | 121.0           |
| 2020 | 54.2  | 258.2 | 930.4   | 23.7                    | 23.0              | 76.7  | 86.6  | 412.0 | 1,494.6 | 38.1                    | 37.0              | 123.2           |
| 2021 | 55.2  | 262.9 | 947.5   | 24.2                    | 23.5              | 78.1  | 88.2  | 419.5 | 1,522.1 | 38.8                    | 37.6              | 125.5           |
| 2022 | 56.2  | 267.6 | 964.9   | 24.6                    | 23.9              | 79.5  | 89.8  | 427.2 | 1,550.1 | 39.5                    | 38.3              | 127.8           |
| 2023 | 57.2  | 272.5 | 982.6   | 25.1                    | 24.3              | 81.0  | 91.4  | 435.0 | 1,578.6 | 40.2                    | 39.0              | 130.2           |
| 2024 | 58.2  | 277.5 | 1,000.7 | 25.5                    | 24.8              | 82.5  | 93.1  | 442.9 | 1,607.6 | 41.0                    | 39.8              | 132.5           |
| 2025 | 59.3  | 282.5 | 1,019.1 | 26.0                    | 25.2              | 84.0  | 94.8  | 451.0 | 1,637.2 | 41.7                    | 40.5              | 135.0           |
| 2026 | 60.4  | 287.7 | 1,037.8 | 26.5                    | 25.7              | 85.6  | 96.5  | 459.3 | 1,667.3 | 42.5                    | 41.2              | 137.5           |
| 2027 | 61.5  | 293.0 | 1,056.9 | 27.0                    | 26.2              | 87.1  | 98.3  | 467.7 | 1,698.0 | 43.3                    | 42.0              | 140.0           |
| 2028 | 62.6  | 298.3 | 1,076.4 | 27.5                    | 26.6              | 88.7  | 100.1 | 476.2 | 1,729.2 | 44.1                    | 42.8              | 142.6           |
| 2029 | 63.8  | 303.7 | 1,096.2 | 28.0                    | 27.1              | 90.4  | 102.0 | 485.0 | 1,761.0 | 44.9                    | 43.6              | 145.2           |
| 2030 | 65.0  | 309.3 | 1,116.3 | 28.5                    | 27.6              | 92.0  | 103.8 | 493.9 | 1,793.4 | 45.7                    | 44.4              | 147.9           |
| 2031 | 66.1  | 315.0 | 1,136.9 | 29.0                    | 28.1              | 93.7  | 105.7 | 502.9 | 1,826.4 | 46.6                    | 45.2              | 150.6           |
| 2032 | 67.4  | 320.8 | 1,157.8 | 29.6                    | 28.7              | 95.5  | 107.7 | 512.2 | 1,860.0 | 47.4                    | 46.0              | 153.4           |

### Table 7: Annual Total Emission Reductions under the Build Alignments over the No Build Alignment (in metric tons)



Figure 1: CO emissions, 1990 and 1996-2002





Figure 3:  $PM_{10}$  emissions, 1990 and 1996-2002



Figure 4: PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions, 1990 and 1996-2002





# ATTACHMENTS

#### Attachment 1:

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| (j) Subpart J of this part contains |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| definitions and other reference     |  |
| information.                        |  |
|                                     |  |

§1033.15 Other regulation parts that apply for locomotives

(a) Part 1065 of this chapter describes procedures and equipment specifications for testing engines. Subpart F of this part 1033 describes how to apply the provisions of part 1065 of this chapter to test locomotives to determine whether they meet the

ernission standards in this part. (b) The requirements and prohibitions of part 1068 of this chapter apply to everyone, including anyone who manufactures, remanufactures, imports, maintains, owns, or operates any of the

locomotives subject to this part 1033. See § 1033.601 to determine how to apply the part 1068 regulations for locomotives. Part 1068 of this chapter describes general provisions, including the following areas:

 Prohibited acts and penalties for locomotive manufacturer.

remanufacturers and others.

(2) Exclusions and exemptions for

certain locomotives.

(3) Importing locomotives.

(4) Selective enforcement audits of your production.

(5) Defect reporting and recall.

(6) Procedures for hearings.

(c) Other parts of this chapter apply if referenced in this part.

#### Subpart B—Emission Standards and Related Requirements

#### § 1033.101 Exhaust emission standards.

See §§ 1033.102 and 1033.150 to determine how the emission standards of this section apply before 2023.

(a) Emission standards for line-haul locomotives. Exhaust emissions from your new locomotives may not exceed the applicable emission standards in Table 1 to this section during the useful life of the locomotive. (Note: § 1033.901 defines locornotives to be "new" when originally manufactured and when remanufactured.) Measure emissions using the applicable test procedures described in subpart F of this part.

| TABLE 1 | то { | § 1033.101.— | -LINE-HAUL | LOCOMOTIVE | EMISSION | STANDARDS |
|---------|------|--------------|------------|------------|----------|-----------|
|---------|------|--------------|------------|------------|----------|-----------|

| Veer of original manufacture | Tier of standards   | Standards (g/bhp-hr)            |                                       |                                      |                                 |  |
|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Tear of original manufacture | her of standards    | NOx                             | PM                                    | HC                                   | co                              |  |
| 1973-1992 •                  | Tier 0 <sup>b</sup> | 8.0<br>7.4<br>5.5<br>5.5<br>1.3 | 0.22<br>0.22<br>•0.10<br>0.10<br>0.03 | 1.00<br>0.55<br>0.30<br>0.30<br>0.14 | 5.0<br>2.2<br>1.5<br>1.5<br>1.5 |  |

Locomotive models that were originally manufactured in model years 1993 through 2001, but that were not originally equipped with a separate coolant system for intake air are subject to the Tier 0 rather than the Tier 1 standards.
Line-haul locomotives subject to the Tier 0 through Tier 2 emission standards must also meet switch standards of the same tier.
Tier 3 line-haul locomotives must also meet Tier 2 switch standards.

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<sup>d</sup> Manufacturers may elect to meet a combined NO<sub>3x</sub>+HC standard of 1.4 g/bhp-hr instead of the otherwise applicable Tier 4 NO<sub>3x</sub> and HC standards, as described in paragraph (j) of this section.
The FM standard for newly remanufactured Tier 2 line-haul locomotives is 0.20 g/bhp-hr until January 1, 2013, except as specified in § 1033.150(a).

(b) Emission standards for switch locomotives. Exhaust emissions from your new locomotives may not exceed the applicable emission standards in

Table 2 to this section during the useful life of the locomotive. (Note: § 1033.901 defines locomotives to be "new" when originally manufactured and when

remanufactured.) Measure emissions using the applicable test procedures described in subpart F of this part.

#### TABLE 2 TO § 1033.101.—SWITCH LOCOMOTIVE EMISSION STANDARDS

| Veer of original manufacture                                      | Tier of standards | Standards (g/bhp-hr)               |   |                               |                                 |  |
|---|-------------------|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| rear or original manufacture                                      | The of standards  | NOx                                | PM  | HC                            | co                              |  |
| 1973-2001<br>2002-2004<br>2005-2010<br>2011-2014<br>2015 or later | Tier 0            | 11.8<br>11.0<br>8.1<br>5.0<br>∘1.3 | 0.26<br>0.26<br><sup>b</sup> 0.13<br>0.10<br>0.03 | 2.10<br>1.20<br>0.60<br>≎0.14 | 8.0<br>2.5<br>2.4<br>2.4<br>2.4 |  |

Switch locomotives subject to the Tier 1 through Tier 2 emission standards must also meet line-haul standards of the same tier.
The PM standard for new Tier 2 switch locomotives is 0.24 g/bhp-hr until January 1, 2013, except as specified in § 1033.150(a).
Manufacturers may elect to meet a combined NO<sub>x</sub>+HC standard of 1.3 g/bhp-hr instead of the otherwise applicable Tier 4 NO<sub>x</sub> and HC standards, as described in paragraph (j) of this section.

(c) Smoke standards. The smoke opacity standards specified in Table 3 to this section apply only for locomotives

certified to one or more PM standards or FELs greater than 0.05 g/bhp-hr. Smoke emissions, when measured in

accordance with the provisions of Subpart F of this part, shall not exceed these standards.

TABLE 3 TO § 1033.101.-SMOKE STANDARDS FOR LOCOMOTIVES (PERCENT OPACITY)

|        | Steady-state | 30-sec peak | 3-sec peak |
|--------|--------------|-------------|------------|
| Tier 0 | 30           | 40          | 50         |
| Tier 1 | 25           | 40          | 50         |

#### Attachment 2: Locomotive Emission Factors for Tiers 2, 3 and 4

| Locomotive Emission Factors |           |           |            |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|--|--|--|
| Pollutant                   | Tier 2    | Tier 3    | Tier 4     |  |  |  |
|                             | g/bhp-hr  | g/bhp-hr  | g/bhp-hr   |  |  |  |
| со                          | 1.5 1.5   |           | 1.5        |  |  |  |
| NOx                         | 5.5       | 5.5       | 1.3        |  |  |  |
| нс                          | 0.3       | 0.3       | 0.14       |  |  |  |
| voc                         | 0.32      | 0.32      | 0.15       |  |  |  |
| PM10                        | 0.14      | 0.04      | 0.03       |  |  |  |
| PM2.5                       | 0.136     | 0.039     | 0.029      |  |  |  |
| SO2                         | 0.45      | 0.45      | 0.45       |  |  |  |
| Year of manufacture         | 2005-2011 | 2012-2014 | after 2015 |  |  |  |

0.97

#### **Train Information**

| Locomotives per train          | 3     |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| HP per Locomotive              | 6,000 |
| Average locomotive load factor | 0.275 |
| Average Train HP               | 4,950 |

Notes:

1.Emission factors -- 73 CFR part 126, subpart B: 1033.101

2. VOC EF = 1.053 times HC EF (Regulatory Impact Analysis, USEPA May 2008)

3. PM2.5 EF=

times PM10 EF (Regulatory Impact Analysis, USEPA May 2008)

4. The use of ultra-low sulfur fuel is mandated for locomotives after 2012. According to EPA Reguatory Impact Analysis PM10 EF will be 0.06 g/bhp-hr lower for Tier 2 and 3.

5. SO2 EF were estimated following EPA NonRoad Model approach based on brake-specific fuel consumption and content of sulfur in fuel.

Locomotive ave fuel<br/>consumption20.8 bhp-hr/galDiesel fuel density<br/>fract. S conv to PM<br/>fract. S conv to SO27.1 lb/gal0.02247 g PM S/g fuel S<br/>fract. S conv to SO22 g SO2/g SS content of diesel0.0015 eqv 15 ppm

|      | at 2.5 mph (g/veh-ml) |       |      |        | ldle EF(g/hr) |       |       |      |        |        |
|------|-----------------------|-------|------|--------|---------------|-------|-------|------|--------|--------|
| Year | VOC                   | СО    | NOx  | PM10   | PM2.5         | VOC   | СО    | NOx  | PM10   | PM2.5  |
| 2012 | 8.01                  | 32.51 | 2.2  | 1.1127 | 1.0237        | 20.03 | 81.28 | 5.50 | 1.1127 | 1.0237 |
| 2013 | 7.32                  | 31.11 | 2.01 | 1.0954 | 1.0077        | 18.30 | 77.78 | 5.03 | 1.0954 | 1.0077 |
| 2014 | 6.74                  | 29.89 | 1.84 | 1.0829 | 0.9963        | 16.85 | 74.74 | 4.59 | 1.0829 | 0.9963 |
| 2015 | 6.34                  | 28.98 | 1.69 | 1.0406 | 0.9574        | 15.85 | 72.45 | 4.23 | 1.0406 | 0.9574 |
| 2016 | 6.05                  | 28.14 | 1.55 | 1.0331 | 0.9504        | 15.13 | 70.35 | 3.87 | 1.0331 | 0.9504 |
| 2017 | 5.83                  | 27.47 | 1.42 | 1.0282 | 0.9459        | 14.56 | 68.69 | 3.56 | 1.0282 | 0.9459 |
| 2018 | 5.64                  | 26.78 | 1.31 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 14.10 | 66.94 | 3.27 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2019 | 5.45                  | 26.28 | 1.22 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 13.63 | 65.71 | 3.06 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2020 | 4.69                  | 25.91 | 1.17 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 11.71 | 64.76 | 2.91 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2021 | 4.51                  | 25.56 | 1.11 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 11.27 | 63.89 | 2.77 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2022 | 4.30                  | 25.34 | 1.05 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.76 | 63.34 | 2.63 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2023 | 4.22                  | 25.16 | 1.00 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.56 | 62.90 | 2.51 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2024 | 4.21                  | 25.00 | 0.96 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.52 | 62.51 | 2.40 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2025 | 4.17                  | 24.63 | 0.91 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.41 | 61.57 | 2.28 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2026 | 4.15                  | 24.48 | 0.88 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.38 | 61.20 | 2.20 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2027 | 4.14                  | 24.32 | 0.85 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.35 | 60.81 | 2.13 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2028 | 4.11                  | 23.86 | 0.81 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.27 | 59.66 | 2.03 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2029 | 4.10                  | 23.86 | 0.79 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.25 | 59.66 | 1.98 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2030 | 4.09                  | 23.84 | 0.78 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.23 | 59.59 | 1.94 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2031 | 4.08                  | 23.73 | 0.75 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.21 | 59.33 | 1.88 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |
| 2032 | 4.08                  | 23.69 | 0.74 | 1.004  | 0.9237        | 10.20 | 59.24 | 1.86 | 1.0040 | 0.9237 |

Attachment 3: Colorado Idle Emission Factors