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LIST OF INSTRUCTIONS AND ACCOUNTS

REGULATIONS PRESCRIBED

- (i) Regulations prescribed. Carriers by railroad subject to provisions of the Interstate Commerce Act and not independently operated as electric lines, and each lessor of such a carrier, shall comply with regulations in this part as presented hereinafter.
 - (ii) Definitions.
- 1. Abandonment means the withdrawal from transportation service of a branch line or other track segment or facility, representing a permanent reduction in plant.
- 2. Accounts means the accounts prescribed in this system of accounts.
- 3. Actually issued as applied to funded debt securities or capital stock issued or assumed by the company, means those which have been sold to bona fide purchasers or holders for a valuable consideration (including those issued in exchange for other securities or other property) and such purchasers or holders secured them free from control by the carriers. Also securities issued as dividends on stock.
- 4. Actually outstanding as applied to funded debt securities or capital stock

issued or assumed by the carrier means those which have been actually issued and are neither retired and canceled nor reacquired and held by or for the accounting company.

- 5. (a) Affiliated companies means companies or persons that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries control, or are controlled by, or are under common control with, the accounting carrier.
- (b) Control (including the terms controlling, controlled by, and under common control with) means the possession directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a company, whether such power is exercised through one or more intermediary companies, or alone, or in conjunction with, or pursuant to an agreement, and whether such power is established through a majority of minority ownership or voting of securities, common directors, officers or stockholders, voting trusts, holding trusts, associated companies, contract or any other direct or indirect means.
- 6. Amortization means the gradual extinguishment of an amount in an account by distributing such amount over a fixed period dependent on the requirements of regulatory bodies, over the life of the asset or liability to which it applies, or over the period during which it is anticipated the benefit will be realized.
- 7. Carrier as used herein and when not otherwise indicated in the context means any carrier to which this system of accounts is applicable.
- 8. Consolidation means the formation of a new company. See instruction 2-15.
- 9. Board means the Surface Transportation Board.
- 10. Compensating balance means the portion of any demand deposit (or any time deposit or certificate of deposit) maintained by a carrier (or by any person on behalf of the carrier) which constitutes support for existing borrowing arrangements of the carrier with a lending institution. Such arrangements include both outstanding borrowings and the assurance of future credit availability. (The compensating balance requirement should be adjusted by the amount of float unless such adjustment would cause the compensating