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The Director of Wage and Service Records

The General Counsel

Parsons Pulp and Lumber Company

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Service claimed as trackman at Horton, West Virginia,
from March 1916 to April 1927.

(Submitted by Form G-215 dated April 18, 1957)

Information in Moody's Industrials shows that the Parsons Pulp and Lumber Company was incorporated on June 16, 1909 under the laws of West Virginia and was engaged in a general lumber business with a plant at Horton, West Virginia; that on August 25, 1923, its properties were acquired by the Whitmer-Parsons Pulp and Lumber Company, and that in 1931 the properties of the latter were sold.

From an examination of Statistics of Railways in the United States it appears that neither the Parsons Pulp and Lumber Company nor the Whitmer-Parsons Pulp and Lumber Company filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission any annual reports or informative circulars.

Since the information available as set out above does not warrant a finding that either company was a carrier by railroad subject to part I of the Interstate Commerce Act or that it was affiliated in any way with any such carrier, I conclude that neither was an employer within the meaning of the Railroad Retirement Act. Further, since there is no indication that any rail properties or operations of either company were acquired or taken over by any employer under the Act on August 29, 1935, the service is not creditable under any of the provisions in section 1(f) of the Act. Credit for the service should be denied.

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General Counsel

CC: The Director of Retirement Claims

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