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Subject: Railroad Waybill Data for calendar year 2023

Dear Mr. Dusenberry,

In order to facilitate an Economic Impact Study to be completed by *EBP US*, the Port of Long Beach is in need of Railroad Waybill data for the most current year (ideally 2023 if available). Mr. Derek Cutler, the Chief Economist/Principal at *EBP US* is requesting this data in order to complete this project. On behalf of Mr. Cutler, the Port of Long Beach would like to request **unmasked data** in order to utilize the data in two ways:

- 1) To make use of the SPLC codes to support the exact identification of on dock rail cargo with enough detail that we can better understand the hinterlands movement of goods
 - a. Improve on the estimation of trucking versus rail hinterlands distribution
- 2) To support a more realistic estimate of the impact on transportation (transport margin) by leveraging the reported revenue for the specific goods in the unmasked data as opposed to trying to estimate it using national margins

We would be in need of the following specific data subsets:

- SPLC Origin/Termination
- Origin/Destination County
- HS Commodity Code
- Expanded Tons /Carloads /Container
- Container Type
- Revenue

Respectfully,

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