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**BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY** 

TO

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

**AND** 

LAURA ROBERSON

(Successor to Bartlett Ford, Jacob J. Ford II and W. A. Johnson), Trustees

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

Dated as of January 20, 2005

TO

BURLINGTON NORTHERN INC.

CONSOLIDATED MORTGAGE

Dated March 2, 1970

Providing for the Continuation of Obligations

By Reason of the Change of Name of

The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company

To

**BNSF Railway Company** 

THIS TWENTY-SEVENTH SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, dated as of January 20, 2005, by and between

BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY, a Delaware corporation hereinafter sometimes called "Company" (formerly known as The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company, and prior to that Burlington Northern Railroad Company, and prior to that Burlington Northern Inc.), mortgagor in and under that certain Consolidated Mortgage of Burlington Northern Inc. dated March 2, 1970, as supplemented, ("Consolidated Mortgage") of which mortgage U.S. Bank Trust National Association and Laura Roberson are Trustees, party of the first part, mortgagor, now by itself

And

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a National Banking Association, organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, (successor to First Trust of New York, National Association and Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York), and Laura Roberson of St. Louis, Missouri (successor to Bartlett Ford, Jacob M. Ford, II and W. A. Johnson), as Trustees, hereinafter called, when referred to jointly, the "Trustees," and, when referred to separately, the "Corporate Trustee" and the "Individual Trustee," respectively, Trustees in and under said Consolidated Mortgage, parties of the second part, Trustees,

#### WITNESSETH:

Whereas, Burlington Northern Inc. as mortgagor, has heretofore made, executed and delivered to Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York and Jacob M. Ford, II, (and his successors in trust) as Trustees, its Consolidated Mortgage dated March 2, 1970, and supplemental indentures thereto dated, respectively, as of March 2, 1970, as of July 1, 1970, as of April 15, 1971, as of December 20, 1971, as of May 23, 1972, as of January 15, 1974, as of July 1, 1975, as of June 15, 1978, as of March 1, 1979, as of August 1, 1980, as of May 14, 1981, as of December 31, 1981, as of December 31, 1982, as of October 1, 1986, as of May 15, 1987, as of November 1, 1987, as of November 20, 1987, as of September 2, 1994, as of December 31, 1996, and as of May 6, 1999, under which Consolidated Mortgage Bonds of several series are outstanding.

Whereas, by Agreement of Merger and Plan of Reorganization dated April 2, 1981, made by and among Burlington Northern Inc., Burlington Northern

Transportation Company, and Burlington Northern Holding Company, as of May 14, 1981, the corporate name of Burlington Northern Inc. was changed to Burlington Northern Railroad Company and by the May 14, 1981 Supplemental Indenture, Burlington Northern Railroad Company, assumed and agreed to pay, perform and observe all of the Mortgagor's covenants and conditions contained in the said Consolidated Mortgage.

Whereas, in accordance with permissive authorization to merge as set forth in the Interstate Commerce Commission decision effective as of September 22, 1995 and by Agreement and Plan of Merger dated December 31, 1996, The Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company on December 31, 1996 merged with and into Burlington Northern Railroad Company and the corporate name of said company was changed to The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company and by the December 31, 1996 Supplemental Indenture, The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company assumed and agreed to pay, perform and observe all of the Mortgagor's covenants and conditions contained in the said Consolidated Mortgage.

Whereas in accordance with the amendment to its Certificate of Incorporation duly noted in the State of Delaware, the corporate name of The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company is changed to BNSF Railway Company effective as of January 20, 2005 and by this, the as of January 20, 2005 Supplemental Indenture, BNSF Railway Company agrees to continue to pay, perform and observe all of the Mortgagor's covenants and conditions contained in the said Consolidated Mortgage.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) paid by the Trustees to BNSF Railway Company, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, to record the change in corporate name, to further secure, and evidence the continuing affirmation, undertaking and obligation of payment, performance and observance of all of the covenants and conditions contained in the Consolidated Mortgage, the parties hereto do hereby covenant and agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE ONE

## Affirmation by BNSF Railway Company

BNSF Railway Company is hereby acknowledged as the mortgagor under the Consolidated Mortgage, and as such mortgagor, BNSF Railway Company in all respects ratifies, confirms and continues uninterrupted the obligations under the Consolidated Mortgage. Further, BNSF Railway Company hereby reaffirms its obligations to make the due and punctual payment of the principal of, premium, if any and interest on, all the Bonds, according to their tenor, and the due and punctual performance and observance of all the covenants and conditions of the Consolidated Mortgage.

#### ARTICLE TWO

## Concerning the Trustees

The Trustees shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever for or in respect of the validity or sufficiency of this Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture or the due execution hereof by BNSF Railway Company or for or in respect of the recitals contained herein, all of which recitals are made by BNSF Railway Company solely. No implied covenant or obligation shall be read into this Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture against the Trustees.

#### ARTICLE THREE

#### **Execution in Counterparts**

This Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original; all of such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument. In order to facilitate the filing and recording of this Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture in the Land Registry and other records, or for any other uses or purposes, any number of true and exact conformed copies of this Supplemental Indenture may be exemplified by the certificate and signature of an Assistant Secretary issued under the seal of the Company, and when so exemplified the same shall be deemed and construed for all such purposes to be originals to the same extent as an original counterpart.

#### ARTICLE FOUR

## Construed with Mortgage

This is a Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture to the Consolidated Mortgage, executed pursuant to the provisions thereof, and each and every part of this Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture and each and every covenant contained herein shall be and become a part of the Consolidated Mortgage and each of the covenants and obligations of BNSF Railway Company herein contained shall be subject to the provisions of the Consolidated Mortgage.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, BNSF Railway Company, the party of the first part, has caused this Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture to be signed and acknowledged by its Chairman of the Board or its President and Chief Executive Officer or one of its Vice Presidents, and its corporate seal to be affixed hereunto and the same to be attested by the signature of its Secretary or one of its Assistant Secretaries; and U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, the Corporate Trustee, one of the parties of the second part, has caused this Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture to be signed and acknowledged by one of its Vice Presidents, and its corporate seal to be affixed hereunto and the same to be attested by the signature of one of its Trust Officers, and LAURA ROBERSON, the Individual Trustee, the other of the party of the second part, has hereunto set her hand, all as of the day and year first above written.

ATTEST:

**BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY** 

Assistant Secretary

James H. Gallegos Vice President and Corporate General Counsel

Signed, sealed acknowledged by BNSF Roilway Company in the presence of the pre

Attesting Witnesses

## ATTEST:

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Name: Beverly

Title:

ANKTINE Geraldo Cruz
Trust Officer

(Impression of the Conseal U.S. Bank Trust
Association) (Impression of the Corporate Seal U.S. Bank Trust National

Signed, sealed and acknowledged by U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee in the presence of:

Attesting Witnesses

By Laura Roberson, as Individual Trustee

Signed and acknowledged by Laura Roberson, as Individual Trustee in the presence of:

Attesting Witnesses

STATE OF TEXAS	)
CITY OF FORT WORTH	) ) ss
COUNTY OF TARRANT	)

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2005, before me, Leslie H. Flores, a duly authorized Notary Public in said City and County in the State aforesaid, personally appeared James H. Gallegos and Craig N. Smetko to me known to be the Vice President and Corporate General Counsel and an Assistant Secretary, respectively, of BNSF RAILWAY COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, one of the corporations that executed the within and foregoing instrument; and the said James H. Gallegos and Craig N. Smetko, severally, acknowledged the said instrument to be the free and voluntary act and deed of said corporation, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and on oath stated that they were authorized to execute said instrument and that the seal affixed thereto is the corporate seal of said corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.

My notarial commission expires April 27, 2007.

LESLIE H. FLORES
Notary Public
STATE OF TEXAS
My Comm. Exp. 04/27/2007

Notary Public

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CITY OF NEW YORK ) ss:
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Notary Public

STATE OF MISSOURI	)	
COUNTY AND CITY	) :	SS
OF ST. LOUIS	)	

On this 21 day of MARCIT, 2005, before me personally came Laura Roberson, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that she executed the same for the uses, purposes, and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office, the day and year first above written.

M. Deborah King
NOTARY PUBLIC - NOTARY SEAL
STATE OF MISSOURI
Commission No. 52673
My Commission expires Aug 11, 2008

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Mortgage Registration Tax Due Hereon: None

Unless otherwise directed by BNSF Railway Company, real property taxes for the real property of BNSF Railway Company, should be sent to:

Alec Vincent BNSF Railway Company General Director of Taxes 2500 Lou Menk Drive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Fort Worth, TX 76131

Addresses of the parties to the foregoing instrument:

BNSF Railway Company 2650 Lou Menk Drive Fort Worth, TX 76131 Attention: Craig N. Smetko Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary

Laura Roberson, as Individual Trustee Vice President UMB Bank Two South Broadway, Suite 435 St. Louis, MO 63102

U.S. Bank Trust National Association 100 Wall Street, Suite 1600 New York, NY 10005 Attention: Beverly Freeney Vice President

# Prepared by:

Tracy Combs Flanigan Attorney At Law 221 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 15 Carthage, MO 64836 4/7-358-8045

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