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NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Senator Bob Dole announced through his Washington office that ICC Chairman, George Stafford will be in Kansas Friday, at Dole's request, to conduct a meeting on the current boxcar shortage. The meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn in Salina, Friday, September 7, from 9:00-12:00 noon.

Dole said, "farmers and grain dealers who are being affected by the shortage should be given the opportunity to express their needs directly to the ICC Chairman."

The Kansas Senator said that he was aware of the shortage of boxcars and hopper cars that plagues the Midwest each year. "After spending three weeks visiting over 50 Kansas communities and talking with farmers and grain dealers I thought such a meeting might help to provide some desperately needed assistance," Dole commented. "Stafford, a native Kansan, is acutely aware the situation and has pledged his support in trying to get additional cars to Kansas as soon as possible."