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ICC TO ISSUE ORDER TO AID GRAIN SHIPMENT

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole announced today that the Interstate Commerce Commission is planning to issue an order on Monday, April 8, to permit the use of stock cars converted for grain shipment on all railroads.

"Some elevator men have converted stockcars to carry grain at their own expense in an effort to empty their elevators in preparation for the new crop of wheat this spring," the Senator said, "and I hope this order will allow them to continue their shipments."

Dole had contacted George Stafford, Chairman of the ICC, last week to protest changes in shipping rules by some railroads which prohibited the use of converted stock cars. Some elevators went to considerable expense to prepare some cattle cars for grain shipment in good faith that the railroads would permit the use of these cars. The change of rules by the rail companies has left these elevators out on a limb for shipping capacity as well as on their investments.