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DOLE URGES ACTION TO AVERT TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

WASH! WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole today appealed to the Interstate Commerce Commission to provide adequate gondola cars for the sugar beet harvest in western Kansas. In a letter to ICC Chairman George Stafford, Dole urged an "immediate investigation of the matter," followed by appropriate action to insure adequate cars.

"The farmers who grow sugar beets in northwest and southwest Kansas," Dole said, "are concerned that they may not have adequate gondola cars in which to ship their sugar beets. The threatened coal worker strike is causing a shortage of these cars at a time they are usually diverted for use in transporting sugar beets from the producing areas to the processing plants.

"Skyrocketing consumer sugar prices," Dole continued, "caused by the worldwide sugar shortage makes it imperative that the ICC take immediate action to avert any shortage of this equipment during the sugar beet harvest which should start in October."