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Colonel J. W. Higgins
Army Transportation Office
Headquarters, U. S. Army, Alaska
APO 942, c/o Postmaster
Seattle, Washington

Dear Colonel Higgins:

Reference is made to Lt. Col. Hamilton's letter of 5 January 1952, requesting use of a locomotive on a temporary loan basis to replace Army Railroad Locomotive No. 1015, presently incapacitated account boiler explosion.

The Alaska Railroad will furnish one steam locomotive switch engine, 300-class, No. 135 on a Use Agreement, similar to the Use Agreement covering the use of locomotives Nos. 1102, 1103, 1104, and 1107.

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If possible, I should like to receive a copy of the requirements which your office demands in the way of experience on the part of your Locomotive Engineers. It might be that The Alaska Railroad could lend some assistance in setting forth certain specific requirements that would have to be met by prospective Locomotive Engineers on the Post Railroad.

Please advise if we can be of any assistance in this connection.

Yours truly,

(SIGNED) J. P. JOHNSON

cc: Mr. J.J. Delaney
For necessary action

J. P. Johnson
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Colonel J. P. Johnson
The Alaska Railroad
Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

A recent boiler explosion in Army Railroad locomotive #4015 incapacitated that locomotive for further use in this theater and an urgent requirement exists for motive power to serve as a temporary replacement.

Conversations with various ARR officials and representatives of this office indicates that several locomotives of the same type are in storage at Birchwood and could be made available for Army use with your concurrence. It is requested that one of these locomotives now in storage be processed for service in Army Railroad operations on a temporary loan basis. Army agrees to accept the responsibility for maintenance of this piece of equipment and guarantees its return to Alaska Railroad in as good a state of repair as when received, fair wear and tear excepted.

Yours truly,

E. M. Hamilton

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