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THE ALASKA RAILROAD
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Col. J. P. Johnson
General Manager

Dear Sir:

I am submitting for your information and files, the following report on Surplus Rolling Stock received during the month of May 1949.

- WS-770 16 only Cars, Ry, Box ARR-#10542, 10548, 10559, 10564, 10567, 10573, 10574, 10581, 10590, 10592, 10605, 10606, 10607, 10615, 10631, 10635 Traded in for Troop Sleepers.
- WS-770 16 only Cars, Ry, Hopper, ARR-#14800, 14802, 14803, 14804, 14805, 14806, 14807, 14812, 14901, 14906, 14908, 14912, 14913, 14915, 14916, 14917, Traded in for Troop Sleepers.
- WS-770 29 only Cars, Ry, Flat, ARR-#12336, 12339, 12340, 12341, 12344, 12345, 12346, 12347, 12349, 12353, 12354, 12355, 12356, 12357, 12360, 12361, 12362, 12364, 12366, 12368, 12373, 12374, 12375, 12376, 12377, 12379, 12380, 12381, 12382 Traded in for Troop Sleepers
- WS- 770 2 only Cars, Ry, Passenger Coach ARR-#9, 40 Reconverted Hospital Cars.

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Anchorage, Alaska
May 3, 1949

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Commenting upon the passenger and freight equipment of The Alaska Railroad:

In more than fifteen (15) years' service, this is the first time The Alaska Railroad has had good first-class rolling stock. Almost all of our flat cars and coal cars were of wood construction and arch bar trucks, all from the Panama Canal Zone. Now we have all-steel cars with the result that the maintenance of these is far below in cost for repairs.

Our passenger equipment, all except one combination car, is more than forty (40) years old. Now we have new passenger equipment reconverted from U. S. Army hospital cars, which are comparable to most trains on railroads in the States. So far we have received twelve (12) of these new passenger cars and are in need of many more.

All of our old passenger cars are in need of a major overhaul and the cost of overhauling these cars would be prohibitive as all metal parts are worn and rusted away to the extent of being unsafe for main line service.

George Blackman
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Car Foreman

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