authority or permit under which the Company may now or hereafter conduct its railroad operations; provided, in the case of any modification, that the same does not substantially impair the rights of the Company in its railroad operations or in the judgment of the Company impair the security or interests of the Bondholders, and in the case of any abandonment or termination, that such rights are no longer required for the railroad operations of the Company, and that rights of operation, substantially equivalent as to scope and term, are otherwise owned or are concurrently to be acquired and subjected to the lien of the Mortgage to the same extent and with the same priority of lien as existed prior to the modification, abandonment or termination.

PART B. To increase operating efficiency and effect economies by elimination of unnecessary trackage or unnecessary duplication of trackage within its own transportation system which is subject to the lien of the Mortgage, and by facilitating the coordination of operations of such transportation system with operations of the transportation systems of other railroads the Company, while remaining in possession of the mortgaged property, may, under the conditions and upon compliance with the provisions of Sections 2 and 3 of this Article IX to the extent applicable:

(a) Sell, exchange for other property, abandon, lease or otherwise dispose of any part, substantially less than all, of its lines of railroad (including any leasehold, easement, trackage right or other interest therein) which are subject to the lien of the Mortgage, but only if, at or prior to such sale, exchange, abandonment, lease or other disposition,

(1) there shall be filed with the Corporate Trustee a Certified Resolution determining and expressing the judgment of the Board of Directors that

(i) such sale, exchange, abandonment, lease or other disposition will increase operating efficiency and effect economies by elimina-

tion of unnecessary trackage or unnecessary duplication of trackage within the Company's own transportation system then subject to the lien of the Mortgage, or by facilitating the coordination of operations of such transportation system with operations of the transportation systems of other railroads, and will not substantially impair the ability of the Company to handle the traffic of its transportation system, and

(ii) that the property so to be sold, exchanged, abandoned, leased or otherwise disposed of is no longer deemed necessary or expedient in the operation of its transportation system and that the security or interests of the Bondholders will not be impaired thereby; and

(2) there shall also be filed with the Corporate Trustee, as to any part of such lines of railroad (including any leasehold, trackage right or other interest therein) desired to be sold, exchanged, abandoned, leased or otherwise disposed of, an Officers' Certificate stating that the Company is in possession of the mortgaged property and the facts relied upon to show that

(i) such part of said lines of railroad is a branch or spur line, or is otherwise so separable from any main line serving principal points, that such sale, exchange, abandonment, lease or other disposition will not break the continuity of such main line between the principal points served thereby, or

(ii) after said sale, exchange, abandonment, lease or other disposition there will remain at least one other route subject to the lien of the Mortgage between the principal points served by the part of such line to be sold, exchanged, abandoned, leased or otherwise disposed of, over which the traffic of its