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11236 S. Torrence Ave.  
Chicago IL 60617



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September 10, 1973

R. A. Nagan

J. T. Seaman

R. C. Rankin

Short Line Fatality on No. 41 Track

In a discussion today with Eli Pupovac, Maintenance Foreman, about the deceased, Michael Matuzcak, he related some past observations that may give better understanding of the fatal accident.

Eli stated that Matuzcak had a severe arthritic condition. He shuffled his feet to walk and his movement was slow. He had kidded the deceased about the truck he drove moved just like he walked. He had observed Matuzcak connecting brake air hoses. He apparently had trouble hooking the hoses due to his arthritis. He would support himself with a car grab iron and squat down on one leg while sticking the other leg over the rail in a stiff, straight-out position. He would sit on the rail in this position and couple the hoses.

R. C. Rankin

rcr/lb.

# Rail worker run over by coal car, killed

A 64-year-old freight car inspector for the Chicago Short Line Railway Co. was killed yesterday when he was run over by an empty coal car at the Interlake Inc. coke pit yards, 11236 S. Torrence Av.

Investigator James Kenney of the Burnside Homicide Unit said Michael Matuszak, who lived at 8907 S. Houston Av., was found by co-workers lying on the tracks with his right leg severed.

The railroad workmen said Matuszak was inspecting empty coal cars coming down a hill after their contents had been emptied. The workers told police that Matuszak apparently was coupling two empty cars when a third car came down the hill, bumped the other two, and knocked Matuszak onto the tracks.

# Chicago Short Line Railway Company

**Gerald J. Purgert**

Assistant Secretary & Treasurer



We Serve Steel

9746 Avenue N  
Chicago, Illinois 60617  
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# Chicago Short Line Railway Company

**Edward A. Pelozza**

General Manager



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ACME STEEL COMPANY

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE INVOICE TRANSMITTAL AND FOLLOW-UP NOTICE

SENT TO Jack Gargella - Coke DATE SENT 3-5-92

Please sign the attached invoice(s) as authorization for payment and return to the Accounts Payable Department by \_\_\_\_\_

A discount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ will be lost if approved invoice(s) are not returned by this date.

Vendor	Requisition/ Invoice No.	Invoice Date	Invoice Amount
Chicago Shoreline Railway		12-18-92	27.87

THIS INVOICE MUST BE RETURNED TO THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DEPARTMENT WITHIN 48 HOURS OF THE DATE SHOWN ABOVE.

DO NOT DETACH THIS TRANSMITTAL - MUST BE RETURNED WITH SIGNED INVOICE

Sent by Mary Lou Reyer  
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - BOX 34-104



TO Dick O'Hern

FROM Bonnie Mocha

DATE 3/09/92

PHONE 312-768-6406

NO. of PAGES 1

FAX 219-391-2566

REMARKS: Per our conversation this day, detail sheet for audit bill 689 dated 1/03/92. Please notify me as to what the PO # will be and when to expect payment. THANK YOU.

*Did not receive attached bill until 3/10/92. Copies sent on 3/9 in day did not include it. On 3/10, I called Bonnie & asked her what made Acme responsible for the brake hose that Rybicki reported. She said that she did not know & would have somebody get back to me ~~the~~ 3/10/92.*

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS - BILLING REPAIR CARD  
**CHICAGO SHORT LINE RAILWAY COMPANY**

Car Initial **C S X T**

Date of Repair **Dec 18, 1991**

Car Number **3 4 8 5 2 4**

Kind **HoP**

Repaired At  380670 S. Chgo. Ill.  
 380677 S. Deer. Ill.

Defect Card Party Issuing and Date **D E Rybicki**

Location On Car	Qty.	Cond. Code	Job Code (Appld.)	Q	Description of Repairs Made	Why Made Code	Job Code (Retrd.)	Q	Resp.	Net Charge
	1	1	1628	00	Air Brake Hose AAR Approved	31	1628	00	3	27.37
Total										27.87

Charge **ACM Steel Corp.**



PURCHASE ORDER



135TH STREET & PERRY AVENUE • CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60627 • (AREA 312) 849-2500

PURCHASE ORDER NO.

21-1-7071

VENDOR NO. <b>25170</b>	CENTRAL REQ. NO. <b>XCC-716</b>	PLANT REQ. NO. <b>313</b>	DATE DEL. REQUIRED <b>As Required</b>	BUYER <b>E. C. Gross</b>	PURCHASE ORDER DATE <b>1-3-73 fg.</b>
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SHIP AND INVOICE TO:

INTERLAKE, INC.  
Chicago Coke Plant  
11236 S. Torrence Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60617

Chicago Short Line Railway Company  
9746 Avenue H  
Chicago, Illinois 60677

SELLER

TERMS <b>Net 30 days</b>		VIA <b>Your Locomotive</b>		F.O.B. <b>Job Site</b>	
STATE USE TAX DOES NOT APPLY		ACCOUNT NO. <b>C-2940-6490</b>	SUB. <b>005</b>	F.O. PROJ. OR JOB NO.	REP. M.S. OR EQUIP. NO.
DOES APPLY <b>XX</b>					
QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION				PRICE
	<b><u>BLANKET ORDER, 1973</u></b>				
	This order is issued to cover all standby switching service required for the year 1973.				<b>\$ 43.31 Hour Straight Time</b>
	<b><u>NOTE: THIS ORDER CANCELS AND SUPERSEDES ANY PREVIOUS ORDER. 16132-21</u></b>				<b>\$ 64.97 Hour Overtime</b>
	<b>D. Carthus - Coal Handling</b>				<b>Quote 12-29-72</b>

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- Seller must acknowledge this order promptly.
- Seller must render triplicate invoices for each order to the address indicated above.
- Buyer's purchase order number must appear on all invoices, bills of lading, packages and correspondence.
- All packages must include packing slip.

INTERLAKE, INC.

- DIRECTOR OF PURCHASES
- CORPORATE PURCHASING AGENT
- BUYER

REQUISITIONER

I. S. 6473 B

# Interlake INC.

STEEL CORPORATION

PURCHASE ORDER NO.

CC 1378

10730 BURLEY AVENUE - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60617 (AREA 312) 221-3131

(INVOICE TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS)

VENDOR NO. 25491	CENTRAL REQ. NO.	PLANT REQ. NO. PUR 144	DATE DEL. REQUIRED	BUYER 21 H.M.	PURCHASE ORDER DATE 1-16-73
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SUMMARY

Chicago & Western Indiana RR Company  
47 W. Polk Street  
Chicago, Ill., 60605

SHIP TO:  
INTERLAKE STEEL CORPORATION  
CHICAGO COKE PLANT  
11236 SO. TORRENCE AVENUE  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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TERMS Net	VIA	F.O.B.			
STATE USE TAX DOES NOT APPLY DOES APPLY		ACCOUNT NO. C 0068 - 5300	SUB. 002	F.O. PROJ. OR JOB NO.	REP. M.S. OR EQUIP. NO.

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	PRICE
	<b>BLANKET ORDER 1973</b>	
	For Rental of Land in the vicinity of 112th Street, West side of Torrence Avenue, Chicago, in accordance with Lease effective 1-1-67 for the period 1-1-73 to December 31, 1973	\$ 150.00
	For Rental of railroad right-of-way in the vicinity of 114th Street and Torrence Avenue used as a site for overhead structure as per Agreement dated June 11, 1957. For the period March 1, 1973 to February 28, 1974	300.00
	This order Cancels and Supersedes CC 1286	
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INTERLAKE STEEL CORPORATION

MANAGER, PURCHASES AND STORES

PURCHASE ORDER

# interlake INC.

STEEL CORPORATION

10730 BURLEY AVENUE - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60617 (AREA 312) 221-3131  
 (INVOICE TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS)

PURCHASE ORDER NO.  
**CC 1375**

VENDOR NO. <b>22114</b>	CENTRAL REQ. NO.	PLANT REQ. NO. <b>PUR 137</b>	DATE DEL. REQUIRED	BUYER <b>21 H.M.</b>	PURCHASE ORDER DATE <b>1-16-73</b>
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Calumet Western Railway Company  
 Room 900, 15 N. 32nd Street  
 Philadelphia, Pa.

SHIP TO:  
 INTERLAKE STEEL CORPORATION  
 CHICAGO COKE PLANT  
 11236 SO. TORRENCE AVENUE  
 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

McBroom

TERMS <b>Net</b>	VIA	F.O.B.	
STATE USE TAX DOES NOT APPLY	DOES APPLY	ACCOUNT NO. <b>C 0068 - 5300</b>	SUB. <b>002</b>
		F.O. PROJ. OR JOB NO.	REP. M.S. OR EQUIP. NO.
QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION		PRICE
	<p><b>BLANKET ORDER 1973</b></p> <p>To cover privilege to construct and maintain conveyor structure and 16" gas pipeline across right-of-way of the Calumet Western in vicinity of 114th Street and Torrence Ave., Chicago, Ill.</p> <p>Per Agreement dated Nov. 6, 1956 and Supplement effective 2-1-61.</p> <p>Period 12-1-72 to 12-1-73</p> <p>This order Cancels and Supersedes P.O. CP 23612</p>		<b>\$ 361.00</b>
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PURCHASE ORDER



135TH STREET & PERRY AVENUE • CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60627 • (AREA 312) 849-2500

PURCHASE ORDER NO.

21-I-7072

VENDOR NO. <b>25170</b>	CENTRAL REQ. NO. <b>XCC-715</b>	PLANT REQ. NO. <b>312</b>	DATE DEL. REQUIRED <b>As Required</b>	BUYER <b>E. C. Gross</b>	PURCHASE ORDER DATE <b>1-3-73 fg.</b>
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9746 Avenue N  
Chicago, Illinois 60677

*Porter*

TERMS <b>Net 30 days</b>	VIA <b>Your Men and Equipment</b>	F.O.B. <b>Job Site</b>
STATE USE TAX DOES NOT APPLY	ACCOUNT NO. <b>C-0714-6490</b>	SUB. <b>007</b>
DOES APPLY <b>XX</b>	F.O. PROJ. OR JOB NO.	REP. M.S. OR EQUIP. NO.

QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	PRICE
	<b>BLANKET ORDER, 1973</b>	
	This order to cover emergency track repairs and rerailling, rail equipment service for year 1973.	<b>T &amp; M Rates</b>
	<b>MATERIALS: Actual Cost (LIFO) plus 15%.</b>	
	<b>Labor:</b>	
	Hourly rates to <b>3-31-73</b> <b>Effective 4-1-73</b> <b>Effective 7-1-73</b>	
	General Foreman \$6.56      \$6.81      \$7.29	
	Foreman 6.14      6.39      6.84	
	Oper. Mechanic 5.96      6.21      6.64	
	Welder-Burner 5.11      5.36      5.74	
	Track Laborer 4.81      5.06      5.41	
	These basic rates are also subject to the following Fringe Burden:	
	1. Railroad Retirement & Unemployment Insurance	\$ 14.60%
	2. Vacation Allowance	5.75%
	3. Paid Holidays	2.50%
	4. Health & Welfare Insurance	3.00%
	5. Employee Casualty Insurance	1.25%
	6. Overhead & Administrative Expense	6.30%
		<b>33.40%</b>
	There is also a charge of \$.075 per man hour to cover supplemental pensions as provided for under the Railroad Retirement Act & is currently in effect.	
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INTERLAKE, INC.

- [Signature]*
- DIRECTOR OF PURCHASES  
 CORPORATE PURCHASING AGENT  
 BUYER

REQUISITIONER

I. S. 6473 B

# CHICAGO SHORT LINE RAILWAY COMPANY

9746 SOUTH AVE. N, CHICAGO, IL 60617-5599

September 24, 1992

Mr. R. J. O'Hearn, Assistant Superintendent  
Acme Steel Company  
Coke Plant  
11236 South Torrence Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60617

Dear Dick:

This will confirm our telephone conversations of September 23, 1992 and this morning wherein we discussed the detention rule and detention charges which would be applicable on Sommerset coal originating in the state of Colorado which will be unloaded at your facility in the coming months. Since neither your company, as the consignee, nor our company, as the terminating switch line, will be parties to this contract, and since we have agreed that the normal coal detention free time of 24 hours per car would not be applicable on these particular shipments of coal, we have agreed to the following detention rule and detention charge which will apply on the unloading of the Sommerset coal at your 112th Street facility.

## DETENTION AT DESTINATION

Except as otherwise provided, seventy-two (72) hours, including Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays (see Note), will be allowed at destination for unloading cars included in a consignment, time to be computed from the first 7:00 A.M. after actual or constructive placement of such cars on consignee's unloading track or in consignee's storage yard to the tender of each empty car to the Carrier. A detention charge of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per car will be assessed against the consignee for each day (24 hours) or fraction thereof that cars are held in excess of seventy-two (72) hours, as computed under the provisions of this paragraph until such cars are unloaded and released to the Carrier.

## EXCEPTIONS

1. When, at the time of actual or constructive placement on consignee's unloading track, lading is frozen so as to require heating, thawing or loosening to unload, the unloading time shall be extended an additional twenty-four (24) hours provided the consignee shall, prior to the expiration of ten (10) days after the date on which the car or cars were released, send or give the Railway's Agent a written statement certifying by car initial and number, the day during which any time was expended in heating, thawing or loosening the lading to unload the car or cars. If written statement is mailed, the date of notice will be determined by the postmark.

Mr. R. J. O'Hearn  
September 24, 1992  
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2. If as a direct result of any of the following events, consignee is unable to unload cars of a consignment, no detention charges will be assessed during the duration of the event:

(a) damage to the car, unless caused by the consignee.

The consignee must certify in writing to the Carrier, within ten (10) days of the date the event occurred, the nature of the event and the time and date it began or ended. In applying this notice requirement, Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays (see Note) shall not be counted.

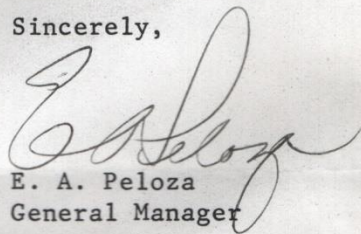
Note: The term "Holiday" referred to above embraces only the following:

New Year's Day	Independence Day
Washington's Birthday	Labor Day
Good Friday	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Christmas Day

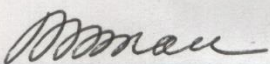
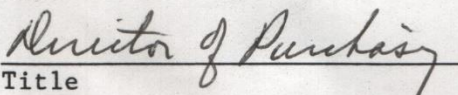
In the event one of the above Holidays occurs on Sunday, the following Monday will be considered as a Holiday.

If you are agreeable to the application of this detention rule and charge, please have the appropriate party sign this letter for the account of Acme Steel Company and it will constitute a separate agreement between our respective companies on these coal shipments. Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
E. A. Peloza  
General Manager

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Acme Steel Company