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into their business plans.

3] Interswitching extension from 30k's to 160k's.

This recent legislation places some 70% of the Prairie commodities that could be interswitched if there was demand by the shippers. There is no question that any increase in the use of this option would cause significant railway efficiency problems and certainly is not in sink with the current regulatory mandate that railways must operate under.

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LEGISLATED INTERSWITCHING [160k's]

The interswitching policy should be laid to rest due to the ineffiencies & costs associated with the actual transactions. These additional costs are not accounted for with enhanced competition and cannot be justified when added to the total costs of marketing \$5:00/bus. wheat.[183.\$/mt]