RIVER TRANSPORTATION CHOICE AND NEEDS SURVEY

(Personal Interview)

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ELEVATOR CHARACTERISTICS

For ea	ch of the following questions, please answer for Warehouse Location					
Q1.	What is the <u>primary</u> commodity you ship from this elevator?					
	name of commodity					
Q2.	How large was your last single outbound shipment (payload weight)?					
	payload weight					
	please check the type of unit for this weight \square_1 Tons \square_2 Bushels \square_3 Cwt.					

			Loading Unloading				
			Yes	No	Yes	No	
	b. B	rucksargesargesarges	\square_1	$egin{array}{c} lack \ lack \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$	□1 □1 □1 arest ba	\square_2 \square_2	ding facility to this facility?
	Q3c.	If NO to Rail loading capability, ho	w close	is the neare	est rail l	oading	facility to this facility?
Q4.		type (or mode) of transportation do ion? (Check all that apply)	you use	most often	for you	r freigh	t shipments from this
	$ \begin{array}{c} \square_1 \\ \square_2 \\ \square_3 \\ \square_4 \\ \square_5 \end{array} $	Private Truck For-Hire Truck Barge Rail Other (Please specify:)			

At this location, do you have loading or unloading capabilities for...

Q3.

		SHIPMENT DECIS	SIONS					
Q5.	What commodity was shipped in your <u>very last freigh</u>	t shipment?						
	commodity shipped							
Q6.	We are interested in learning more about your shipme very last freight shipment	ent decisions and patterr	ns. When ans	wering the 1	following qu	uestions, pl	ease think a	about your
7. B eio	Which one of these did you use for your <u>very last</u> aht shipment?			Mode and	d Destinat	tion Comb	oinations	
)	\square_1 Truck to then Barge to	Please answer for each	Truck to Pasco then	(write in river port*) then	D. 114	Truck to Railroad then Rail		Other
	\square_3 Rail to	mode and destination listed	Barge to ▼	Barge to ▼	Rail to ———	to 	Barge to ▼	(please specify) ▼
	\square_4 Truck to Railroad then Rail to \square_5 Barge to \square_6 Other (Specify mode and destination):	A. Is this transportation mode physically available at this elevator?	□ ₁ Yes □ ₂ No	\square_1 Yes \square_2 No	□₁ Yes	\square_1 Yes \square_2 No	□₁ Yes	□ ₁ Yes □ ₂ No
B.	Now suppose your original option for transportation (listed in Q7) was unavailable for six months. During that time period, what	B. What is the trans- portation rate for this shipment? (\$/unit)	Truck Barge	Truck Barge	Rail	Truck Rail	 Barge	
	mode/destination option would you now utilize? (Please check ONE box) Truck to Pasco then Barge to then Barge to	C. What is the average shipment time? (include scheduling, wait for equipment, and transit time)						
	\square_3 Rail to then burge to \square_4 Truck to Railroad then Rail to	D. What percent of the time do shipments like this arrive on	24,5	Zayo	Zajo	Zayo	Zayo	Zujo

like this arrive on

time at the final

destination?

% on-time

arrivals

Barge to _____

Other (Specify mode and destination):

No alternatives available → Skip to Q12

For the following three sections, consider your response to Q7 as the "Original" shipment mode and your response to Q8 as the "Alternative" shipment mode. We would like to learn what circumstances would cause you to switch from the Original shipment modes to the Alternative at this location.

	Transportation Rate
Q9.	If the transportation rate increased <u>**Percent change1**</u> , would you switch to the alternative at this location or continue with the original mode and destination?
	\square_1 Switch to Alternative mode \rightarrow Skip to Q10 \square_2 Continue to use Original mode
	Q9a. If continue to use Original mode, what <u>percentage increase in the transportation rate</u> would be necessary to cause you to switch to the Alternative transportation mode?
	% increase
	TRANSIT TIME
Q10.	If the transit time (including scheduling and wait for equipment) for the original option increased <u>«Percent change1»%</u> , would you switch to the alternative at this location or continue with the original mode and destination?
	\square_1 Switch to Alternative mode \rightarrow Skip to Q11 \square_2 Continue to use Original mode
	Q10a. If continue to use Original mode, what <u>percentage increase in the transit time</u> would be necessary to cause you to switch to the Alternative transportation mode?
	% increase
	RELIABILITY
Q11.	If the reliability (percentage of time shipments arrived on-time) of the original option decreased <u>«Percent change1»%</u> , would you switch to the alternative at this location or continue with the original mode and destination?
	\square_1 Switch to Alternative mode \rightarrow Skip to Q12 \square_2 Continue to use Original mode
	Q11a. If continue to use Original mode, what <u>percentage decrease in the reliability</u> would be necessary to cause you to switch to the Alternative transportation mode?
	% decrease

Q12.	How long has this ele	evator been at its	s current location?			
	years					
Q13.	How important were	logistic costs in	determining your c	urrent plant lo	cation?	
	 □₁ Very important □₂ Somewhat impo □₃ Not very importa □₄ Not important at □₅ Not applicable 	ınt				
Q14.	If you were offered an costs, what percenta to relocate?					
	% decrease in o	costs				
	☐ Check here if you	would not relocate	e.			
Q15.	What modes of trans apply) and what perc					ts (check all that
		Inbou		Outbo		
		mode used? Yes No	What percentage of your total shipments come in this way?	Shipn Is this mode used? Yes No	What percentage of your total shipments go out this way?	
	Private Truck	$egin{array}{cccc} lack & $	▼ %	lacksquare $lacksquare$ $lacksquare$ $lacksquare$ $lacksquare$	▼ %	
	For-Hire Truck		%	\square_1 \square_2	%	
	Barge Rail		% %	$egin{array}{cccc} egin{array}{cccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{cccc} egin{array}{cccc} egin{array}{cccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{cccc} egin{array}{cccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{cccc} egin{array}{cccc} egin{array}{ccccc} egin{array}{cccccccc} egin{array}{ccccccccc} egin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	% %	
Q16.	How many rail cars c	an be loaded or	unloaded at your fa	acility at a give	n time?	
	# of cars					
	☐ Check here if you	cannot load or uni	l <u>oad</u> rail cars at this f	acility.		
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Q17.	Thinking about the commodity you ship most often, what was the average commodity price over the last three years in your county before it was shipped?					
	price per unit					
	please check the type of unit for this commodity \square_1 Tons \square_2 Bushels \square_3 Cwt. \square_4 Gallons \square_5 Other (specify:)					
Q18.	How large is this elevator facility?					
	Total Amount of Annual Units Shipped					
	please check the type of unit for this elevator \square_1 Tons \square_2 Bushels \square_3 Cwt. \square_4 Gallons \square_5 Other (specify:)					
	Total Amount of Storage Capacity					
	please check the type of unit for this elevator \square_1 Tons \square_2 Bushels \square_3 Cwt. \square_4 Gallons \square_5 Other (specify:)					