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COMBINED GROUP

Group Chair's Factual Report - Supplemental

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A. ACCIDENT DATA

Accident No: RRD25FR022
Type: Raking collision with subsequent derailment and severe injury
Location: Denver, CO
Date: 8/5/2025
Time: 12:11 a.m. (local time zone)
Carrier: BNSF
Train: H-LINDEN1-02A
Fatalities: 0
Injuries: 1

B. PARTIES TO THE INVESTIGATION

NTSB
FRA
BLET
SMART-TD
BNSF

C. COMBINED GROUP

IIC	Scott Lavallee Investigator in Charge/ Operations Group Chair National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB)
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Party Coordinator	Michael Cook AVP of System Safety BNSF
Party Coordinator	Jerry Archie FRA IIC/Operating Practices Federal Railroad Administration

D. ACCIDENT SUMMARY

For a summary of the accident, please see the accident summary section of the combined group factual report in the docket.

E. TOXICOLOGY TESTING

FRA post-accident drug and alcohol tests were administered for the BNSF train crew in covered service. Initial results were negative for the mentor and student engineers. The conductor's FRA post-accident testing did not detect any tested-for substances other than one substance that was administered to the conductor after the accident, as confirmed by review of post-accident records. As a result of the information collected, a separate medical factual report was determined to be unnecessary.

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