

This Bond shall not be secured by or entitled to any benefits under the Indenture, or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, until this Bond shall have been duly authenticated by the Corporate Trustee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Company has caused this Bond to be signed by the manual or facsimile signature of its Chairman of the Board or its President or one of its Vice Presidents and its corporate seal or a facsimile thereof to be affixed hereto or imprinted hereon and to be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of its Secretary or one of its Assistant Secretaries.

Dated:.....

SEABOARD COAST LINE RAILROAD COMPANY

Attest:

By .....

[FORM OF REVERSE OF BOND OF SERIES A]

This Bond is one of the Consolidated Mortgage Bonds of the Company, hereinafter sometimes called the Bonds, all issued and to be issued in one or more series under, and equally secured by, an indenture, dated as of March 15, 1971, executed by the Company to CHEMICAL BANK, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York (herein called the "Corporate Trustee"), and L. F. SADLER, as Trustees, hereinafter, as amended and supplemented from time to time, sometimes called the "Indenture", to which Indenture reference is hereby made for a description of the properties and franchises mortgaged and pledged, the nature and extent of security and the rights of the holders of the Bonds and appurtenant coupons, if any, and the rights, duties and immunities of the Trustees thereunder.

No reference herein to the Indenture and no provision of this Bond or of the Indenture shall alter or impair the obligation of the Company, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on this Bond at the time and place and at the rate or rates and in the currency herein prescribed.