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VIA UPS – NEXT DAY SERVICE

Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20549
(202) 942-7040

Re: Ryerson Tull, Inc. (Commission File No. 1-9117)

Dear Mr. Katz::

Pursuant to SEC File No. 4-460: Order Requiring the Filing of Sworn Statements Pursuant to Section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, please find enclosed the Statement under Oath of each of the Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, originally executed and notarized.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and the enclosed statements by file-stamping and returning the enclosed photocopy of this letter using the return self-addressed, stamped envelope provided.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS

I, Neil S. Novich, state and attest that:

(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Ryerson Tull, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with Ryerson Tull, Inc.'s audit committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

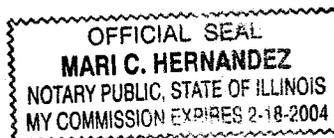
- Annual Report on Form 10-K for 2001 filed with the Commission of Ryerson Tull, Inc.;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Ryerson Tull, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and any amendments to any of the foregoing.

Neil S. Novich
Chairman, President & Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)
August 12, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to
before me this 12th day of
August 2002.

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Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 2-18-2004