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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W., Room 1034
Washington, DC 20423-0001

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September 20, 2016
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Re: **Docket No. FD 35918**
City of Appleton -- Petition for Declaratory Order

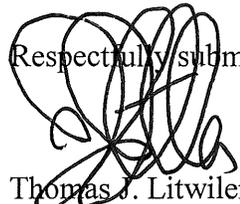
Dear Ms. Brown:

Wisconsin Central Ltd. ("WCL") requests an additional 60-day extension, to November 14, 2016, to file a reply as previously directed by the Board in the above-captioned proceeding. WCL and the City of Appleton (the "City") have been negotiating an arrangement that would resolve the matters raised by the City's pending declaratory order petition. The City's Finance Committee reviewed a draft agreement between the parties last week, and hopes to answer several follow-up questions by early next month. The requested extension would provide the parties time to complete these arrangements and, in turn, allow voluntary dismissal of this proceeding.

Counsel for the City and for Union Pacific Railroad Company have indicated that they have no objection to the requested extension.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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