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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
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Re: **Docket No. AB-414 (Sub-No. 7X)**
Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. -- Abandonment
Exemption -- In Pottawattamie County, Iowa

Dear Ms. Brown:

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29(e)(2), Iowa Interstate Railroad, Ltd. ("IAIS") hereby seeks a six-month extension, to September 27, 2015, of the period for filing a notice of consummation in the above-captioned abandonment proceeding.

By notice of exemption served March 27, 2014, the Board authorized IAIS to abandon a 1.82-mile out of service rail line in western Iowa known as the Oakland Branch. A notice of consummation for the abandonment of the Oakland Branch is currently due by March 27, 2015. IAIS's salvage of the Oakland Branch has been delayed by weather and other factors, and is now expected to be completed by this summer. The requested extension of the consummation period will accommodate this salvage schedule and is reasonable under the circumstances.

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

Respectfully submitted,



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