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March 30, 2005

Mr. Rich Batie
Short Line Development
Burlington Northern & Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway
2500 Lou Menk Drive, 3rd Floor
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RE: Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway Project
BNSF Railroad Abandonment
City of Des Moines, Iowa
Earth Tech ID No. 30511
City Activity ID 12-2004-002

Dear Mr. Batie:

Per your request, we are providing this letter to confirm that all of the BNSF property purchased by the City of Des Moines for development of the East/West Segment of the Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway project in Des Moines, Iowa was included in our Historical and Archaeological documentation for the project. This historical and archaeological documentation was submitted to and accepted by the Iowa Department of Transportation, the administrator for the Federal Highway Administration, and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact my office (515) 283-4920.

Sincerely,



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