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The Honorable Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W., Room 100
Washington, DC 20423-0001

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VIA FAX: 202-245-0458

RE: Iowa River Railroad, Inc. Abandonment, Marshall and Hardin Counties in Iowa;
Docket # AB-1072X

Dear Ms. Brown:

On May 17, 2012 the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation requested an issuance of a Public Use Condition as well as a Certificate or Notice of Interim Trail Use under the provision of 16 U.S.C. §1247(d).

The Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation still makes such a request on behalf of the Marshall and Hardin County Conservation Boards, the Cities of Marshalltown, Union, Steamboat Rock, Liscomb, Eldora, and Albion; however, **we would like to amend** our previous filing which requested an order prohibiting Iowa River Railroad, Inc. (IRR) from disposing of the corridor's tracks, ties and signal equipment for a 180 day period. **We have no objections to IRR salvaging the corridor's track, ties and signal equipment at any time following the effective date of a Board decision while we continue to negotiate with IRR.** Our request for an order barring removal or destruction of potential trail-related structures such as bridges, trestles, culverts, tunnels and ballast remains, however.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark C. Ackelson".

Mark C. Ackelson, President

cc: IRR

