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Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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Re: Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 158X) - Union Pacific Railroad Company -- Abandonment Exemption -- In McPherson, Ellsworth and Rice Counties, KS

Docket No. AB-406 (Sub-No. 12X) - Central Kansas Railway Limited Liability Company -- Discontinuance Exemption -- in McPherson, Ellsworth and Rice Counties, KS

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Union Pacific Railroad Company has received a request from the City of Marquette, KS for a 120 day extension in which to complete negotiations for the acquisition of that portion of the Union Pacific's right-of-way in the Hoisington Subdivision between M.P. 504.5 to 506.5 for an interim recreational trail use/rail banking. The Union Pacific is willing to continue to negotiate with the City of Marquette concerning the acquisition of the subject property for interim trail use/rail banking and supports the City of Marquette's request for an extension of the negotiation period for 120 days commencing March 6, 2002. A copy of the City of Marquette's request is attached hereto as Exhibit A and hereby made a part hereof.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter and exhibit are enclosed for the Board's use and distribution.

Very truly yours,

MACK H. SHUMATE, JR.
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Enclosures

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Secretary Vernon A. Williams
Surface Transportation Board
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

RE: Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") and Central Kansas Railway Company ("CKR")
Abandonment in McPherson County, Kansas, Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 158X) for UP and No. AB-406
(Sub-No. 12X) for CKR.

Dear Mr. Williams:

A request is being filed on behalf of the City of Marquette, Kansas for an extension of time of 120 days to finalize the terms of the abandoned railway property from Union Pacific Railroad Company to the City of Marquette. Conditions of the transfer are being considered by the Union Pacific Railroad Company and are being studied by their accounting office.

Respectfully submitted,

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Frederick L. Peterson, City Clerk
On behalf of the City of Marquette

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