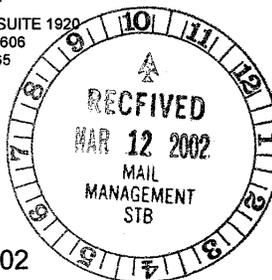


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Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary
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Re: STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub. No. 120X), Union Pacific Railroad
Company – Abandonment and Discontinuance of Operations
Exemption – In Warren County, Iowa (Carlisle Branch)

Dear Mr. Williams:

In March of 1998, Union Pacific Railroad Company filed a Petition for Exemption to abandon service over a 10.83 mile line of railroad from Milepost 368.3 near Carlisle to Milepost 379.13 near Indianola, in Warren County, Iowa and to discontinue operations over a 0.85 mile line of railroad between MP 379.13 to MP 379.98 in Indianola, Iowa. Abandonment was consummated on the segment from Milepost 368.3 to Milepost 368.5 and operations discontinued over the line between Milepost 379.98 to MP 368.5 by letter to the Board dated September 15, 1998. The rest of the line was encumbered by a trail condition, from Milepost 379.13 to Milepost 368.5. The trail condition was extended numerous times to facilitate acquisition of the right-of-way by Warren County Conservation Board. The trail condition was last extended to July 31, 2001. By the Board's Decision served January 31, 2001.

The purpose of this letter is to notify the Board that on April 2, 2001, the Line that was subjected to the National Trails System Act was conveyed to Warren County Conservation Board. The conveyance was pursuant to the National Trails System Act, 16 U.S.C. 1247(d). The property will be used and controlled by Warren County Conversation Board.

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

Sincerely,


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Senior General Attorney

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