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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams
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Re: STB Docket No. AB-12 (Sub-No. 184X) - Abandonment of
Rail Line Between Wendel and McArthur, CA

Dear Mr. Williams:

This refers to the August 15, 2003 letter of the United States Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") requesting a one year extension of time for trail use negotiations on the above line.

UP is agreeable to an additional trail use negotiating period of one year for BLM or other entities that may desire trail negotiations. UP further states that, while it has discontinued rail service on the above line, it has not consummated the abandonment so the Board continues to have jurisdiction over the line.

An additional ten (10) copies of this letter are enclosed for the Board's files.

Very truly yours,

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