

North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation

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September 7, 2005

Secretary of the Board
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423



**RE: Docket No. AB-33(Sub-No.218X)
Request to Extend the Period to Negotiate a Trail Use Agreement**

Greetings:

I represent the North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation (NICTF). On March 11, 2005 the STB issued a Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use or Abandonment granting the NICTF until September 10, 2005 to negotiate an interim trail use/rail banking agreement with UP.

Although substantial and ongoing discussions have taken place between the NICTF and UP, no interim trail use/rail banking agreement has been reached. However, progress has been made and the NICTF believes that an agreement can be reached if the NICTF and UP have additional time to negotiate.

By this letter the NICTF respectfully requests that the STB grant a **12 month extension** of the period to negotiate a trail use/rail banking agreement with UP. I have spoken with Mike Sattler, UP Sr. Manager – Real Estate, and he has stated that UP would support the requested 12 month extension. My check in the amount of \$350.00 is enclosed in payment of the extension fee.

"I, Michael C. Gridley, Attorney at Law, declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Further, I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this pleading. I further certify that I have served all parties of record in this proceeding with this document by United States mail." Executed on September 7, 2005.

Michael C. Gridley
Attorney at Law

cc: STB service list parties

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