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November 21, 2006



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Vernon Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
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**RE: Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 219X), Union Pacific Railroad Company  
- Abandonment Exemption - in Douglas and Champaign Counties,  
Illinois (Westville Industrial Lead)**

Dear Mr. Williams:

In accordance with the Surface Transportation Board's order in the above-referenced matter decided on May 26, 2005, with a service date of May 31, 2005, please be advised that the Union Pacific Railroad Company ("Union Pacific") has completed the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act with regard to the subject abandonment. Attached to this letter as Exhibit A and hereby made a part hereof is a letter dated November 13, 2006, from the Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency indicating that there are no historic properties to be affected by the subject abandonment and that the State Historic Preservation Officer has no objection to the abandonment of the line and the salvage of the trackage thereon. The letter indicates that this is the Union Pacific's evidence of compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended.

Union Pacific respectfully requests that the Board issue a revised decision in this matter indicating compliance by the Union Pacific with regard to the Section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended.

An original and ten copies of this letter are enclosed for the Board's use and further distribution.

Sincerely,

Mack H. Shumate, Jr.  
Senior General Attorney, Law Department

Enclosures



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Douglas County

Villa Grove to Broadlands

Abandonment of the Westville Industrial Lead

M.P. 164.87 at Villa Grove to the end of the track at M.P. 155.0 near Broadlands

IHPA Log #007040104

November 13, 2006

Charles Saylor  
Union Pacific Railroad Company  
1400 Douglas St.  
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Dear Mr. Saylor:

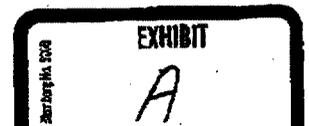
We have reviewed the documentation submitted for the referenced project(s) in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.4. Based upon the information provided, no historic properties are affected. We, therefore, have no objection to the undertaking proceeding as planned.

Please retain this letter in your files as evidence of compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. This clearance remains in effect for two years from date of issuance. It does not pertain to any discovery during construction, nor is it a clearance for purposes of the Illinois Human Skeletal Remains Protection Act (20 ILCS 3440).

If you have any further questions, please contact me at 217/785-5027.

Sincerely,

Anne E. Haaker  
Deputy State Historic  
Preservation Officer



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**Comments:** Attached is my letter dated November 21, 2006, regarding the above-referenced matter. MHS

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