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April 18, 2007

Mr Vernon Williams
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street NW
Washington, D. C., 20423-0001

Dear Mr. Williams.

Reference is made to AB 33 (Sub No 153 X), an abandonment of rail service between milepost 315 1 and 322 9, in Monroe County, known as the southern segment of the Oskaloosa Subdivision

The Iowa Trails Council wishes to withdraw its request that this former railroad right-of-way be held under a Notice of Interim Trail Use as we have not found a sponsor for the conversion of this right-of-way to a recreational trail.

Your cooperation in extending time for negotiation of this corridor with the Union Pacific Railroad in the past is appreciated.

The Union Pacific Railroad is being notified of this decision.

Sincerely,

Tom F Neenan

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Mack H Shumate Jr
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Chicago, IL . 60606-1718

Dear Mr Shumate

I am enclosing a copy of a letter to the Surface Transportation Board with reference to the Union Pacific's right-of-way in Monroe County, Iowa between Milepost 315 1 and 322 9

The Union Pacific Railroad has been most cooperative in allowing us to continue our negotiations for acquisition of this corridor for use as a trail, over a considerable length of time. Our file, comprising years of correspondence and recorded visits with individuals in the area of this right-of-way is several inches thick.

This is a first for us, that we have given up in our efforts to find or form a group of civic minded citizens who saw the merits of such a conversion in an area where we believed such a project could succeed. We must, however recognize the fact that we can no longer continue to promote this cause from this distance.

We thank you for your patience in extending time periods in which we could continue to locate support for this cause in the area.

Sincerely,

Tom F Neenan