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VIA E-Filing

The Honorable Anne K. Quinlan  
Acting Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, S.W., Room 1149  
Washington, DC 20024

**RE: Proposed Abandonment of the El Dorado Subdivision from  
Milepost 457.0 near Gilcrest to Milepost 460.6 near El  
Dorado Junction, a distance of 3.6 miles in Ouachita County,  
Arkansas; STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 222X)**

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

Union Pacific Railroad Company ("Union Pacific") has received a written request dated December 10, 2008 from Michael W. Frey, Esq. representing the City of Camden, Arkansas seeking an additional 180-day extension of the negotiation period relating to the issuance of a Certificate or Notice of Interim Trail Use pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 1247(d) and 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29 regarding that portion of the Union Pacific's right-of-way known as the El Dorado Subdivision from M. P. 457.0 near Gilcrest to M. P. 460.6 near El Dorado Junction, a distance of 3.62 miles in Ouachita County, Arkansas (the "Line").

Union Pacific is willing to continue to negotiate with the City of Camden concerning the acquisition of the subject property for trail use and supports the City's request to extend the negotiation period of 180 days. A copy of the City's request is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and hereby made a part hereof.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

cc: City of Camden

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10 December 2008

Vernon A. Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
Section of Environmental Analysis  
1925 "K" Street, N.W., Room 504  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

**RE: *Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 222X)  
Proposed Abandonment of the El Dorado Subdivision, Ouachita County, AR  
Request for Extension of Interim Trail Use Negotiating Period***

Dear Secretary Williams:

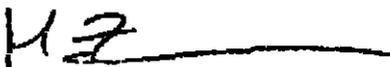
I am the City Attorney for Camden Arkansas. This request is filed on behalf of the City of Camden, Arkansas, which is a political subdivision

On June 27, 2006, the STB issued a Certificate of Notice of Interim Trail Use pursuant to 49 C.F.R. §1152.29. On June 19, 2008, the STB extended the negotiation period for 180 days. The 180-day negotiation period is scheduled to expire on December 16, 2008. **The City of Camden is requesting that the negotiation period be extended for another 180 days.**

By my signature below, I certify service upon Union Pacific Railroad Company, c/o Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Senior General Attorney, 101 North Wacker Drive, Room 1920, Chicago, Illinois 60606, by facsimile and by First Class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008. I have enclosed ten (10) additional copies of this letter for the Board's use and distribution.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I will await further directives from the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Michael W. Frey  
Camden City Attorney

Enclosure: Ten copies of letter

cc: Mr. Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Union Pacific Railroad, *Via fax and First Class Mail*