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BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DOCKET NO AB-1067-2X

GENERAL RAILWAY CORPORATION
d/b/a IOWA NORTHWESTERN RAILROAD

-ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION-
IN OSCEOLA and DICKINSON COUNTIES, IOWA

PETITION FOR LEAVE TO LATE FILE
NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE OFFER OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Petitioner, Dickinson-Osceola Railroad Authority, the entity that purchased the line at issue in this proceeding (the "Line"), and is still, arguably, its owner, and, hence, a Class III rail carrier, subject to the jurisdiction of the Board, requests leave to late file its Notice of Intent to File Offer of Financial Assistance

The Notice of Intent to File Offer of Financial Assistance was due ten days after the Federal Register publication of the Notice of Exemption. Petitioner's counsel was in the midst of litigation, and unable to finalize plans with the Petitioner. Petitioner has been contacted by multiple shippers that desire service on this line. The public interest supports granting the Petitioner the opportunity to review its options.

The abandonment applicant, General Railway Corporation, will not be prejudiced by the granting of this Petition, as General Railway has already scrapped most of the Line, despite lacking abandonment authority

Dated October 15, 2008

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing instrument was served by electronic or facsimile transmission and/or United States Mail, first class, postage fully pre-paid, this 15th day of October, 2008 upon all parties of record as disclosed by the filings of record herein


