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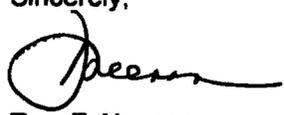
Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

Our negotiation period granted for the above ends April 24, 2009 Even though three weeks remain in the allowed negotiation period it is obvious to us that we will need more time in which to conclude these negotiations.

We are therefore requesting a six months extension of the original time period in which to finalize these negotiations. It is our belief that the Iowa Northwestern Railroad is willing to continue these negotiations and has no objection to the granting of additional time in which to hopefully conclude these negotiations.

We are sending a copy of this letter to Mr. John Larkin of the Iowa Northwestern Railroad at the office of the railroad in Omaha, Nebraska. We are also enclosing ten copies of this letter for the members of the STB board.

Your acknowledgment and favorable response to this request for the board's approval of this request for six months additional time in which to continue these negotiations will be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Tom F. Neenan