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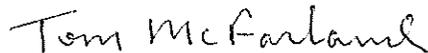
Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
Case Control Unit, Suite 713
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Docket No. AB-878, *City of Peoria, Illinois and Village of Peoria Heights, Illinois -- Adverse Discontinuance -- Pioneer Industrial Railway Co.*

Dear Mr. Williams:

Replies to a Petition to Reopen filed by Pioneer Industrial Railway Co. are due on February 13, 2006. In behalf of the Applicants the City of Peoria, Illinois and the Village of Peoria Heights, Illinois, this is to respectfully request an extension of 20 days, to March 6, 2006, to file their Reply. The requested extension is necessitated by the extensive involvement of counsel for the City and Village in emergency proceedings in Finance Docket No. 34802, *PYCO Industries, Inc. -- Alternative Rail Service -- South Plains Switching, Ltd. Co.*, decision served January 26, 2006, which has prevented counsel from being able to file a timely Reply in this proceeding. I have been authorized by counsel for Pioneer Industrial Railway Co. to state that Pioneer does not oppose this requested extension on condition that the City not tear up the track during that time. I have notified counsel for Pioneer that that condition is acceptable.

Very truly yours,



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