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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S. W., Room 1149
Washington, DC 20024

RE: Proposed Abandonment of an Western Portion of the Bristow Subdivision from M.P. 318.66 near Hampton to M.P. 326.50 near Coulter, a distance of 7.84 miles in Franklin County, Iowa; STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 201X)

(60 DAY EXTENSION)

Dear Mr. Williams:

Union Pacific Railroad Company ("Union Pacific") has received the attached request from the Iowa Trails Council dated August 9, 2007, for an additional 180-day extension in which to complete negotiations for the acquisition under the provisions 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 Western Portion of the Bristow Subdivision from Milepost 318.66 near Hampton, Iowa to Milepost 326.50 near Coulter Iowa, a distance of 7.84 miles in Franklin County, Iowa. At this time the Union Pacific is willing to continue negotiating with the Iowa Trails Council concerning the acquisition of the subject property for trail use but only for an additional 60-day extension period commencing August 22, 2007. A copy of the Iowa Trails Council's request is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and hereby made a part hereof.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter with exhibits are enclosed for the Board's use and distribution.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mack H. Shumate, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mack H. Shumate, Jr.

Enclosures

cc: Iowa Trails Council

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August 9, 2007

Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
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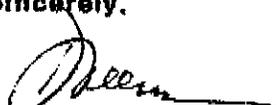
Dear Mr. Secretary:

As yet we have not been able to finalize negotiations for the acquisition of Union Pacific's soon to be abandoned railroad right-of-way between Hampton and Couiter in Franklin County, Iowa.

We are therefore requesting an additional time period in which to complete this transaction. We anticipate this will be the last request we will make for an extension of time, if an additional 180 days are granted.

Ten copies of this letter are being provided for board members and a copy of this letter is being provided to the Union Pacific offices in Omaha and in Chicago in anticipation of their agreement to this request for additional time in which to complete our negotiations.

Sincerely,


 Tom F. Neenan