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Anne K. Quinlan, Esq
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
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RE: Request for 180-day ITU Extension for Negotiations; Norfolk Southern Railway Company Abandonment in Marion, Grant County, Indiana, STB Docket No. AB-290(Sub-No. 291X)

Dear Ms. Quinlan:

This request is filed on behalf of the City of Marion, Indiana, which is a municipal corporation, and Greenways Foundation, Inc., which is a non-profit conservation group, both of which are hereinafter referred to as the "proponents". The proponents remain engaged in discussions with Norfolk Southern Corporation toward the desired outcome for all parties, which is an agreement regarding acquisition and interim trail use of the line by the proponents.

On August 31st, 2009, the STB granted the proponent's request to extend the notice of interim trail use or abandonment negotiating period to February 16, 2010.

The proponents hereby request an additional 180-day period in which to continue negotiations with Norfolk Southern on this matter. Norfolk Southern is amenable to this extension and continued negotiations. Thank you for your consideration.

By my signature below, I certify service of a copy of this statement upon Norfolk Southern Railway Company, by U S Mail, postage pre-paid, first class, this 16th day of February 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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