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The Honorable Cynthia T. Brown
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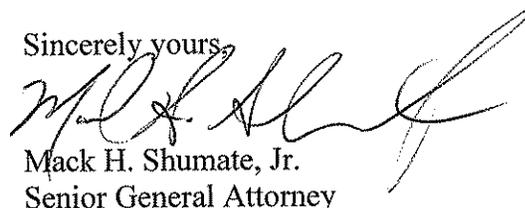
Re: Abandonment Exemption -- from M.P. 540.3 west of Downes to M.P. 552.7 west of Portis, a distance of 12.4 miles in Osborne and Smith Counties, Kansas; STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 270X)

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO ACCEPT OR
REJECT REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF
TRAIL USE NEGOTIATING PERIOD**

Dear Ms. Brown:

Representatives of the Union Pacific Railroad Company Real Estate Department and the Sunflower Recreational Trails, Inc. have reached a consensus to go forward with the proposed trail use extension request. However, the Board of Directors of the Sunflower Recreational Trails, Inc. (the "Sunflower Board") will meet this Saturday, September 18, 2010 to either accept or reject the consensus reached. If the Sunflower Board concurs with the consensus, Union Pacific will be in a position to accept the requested trail use extension on Monday, September 20, 2010. Therefore, Union Pacific respectfully requests that the Board defer acting on the request for the above-referenced trail use negotiation period extension until September 21, 2010. Union Pacific should be informed of the decision of the Sunflower Board on September 20, 2010 and will e-file its acceptance or rejection with the STB on that date.

Sincerely yours,



Mack H. Shumate, Jr.
Senior General Attorney

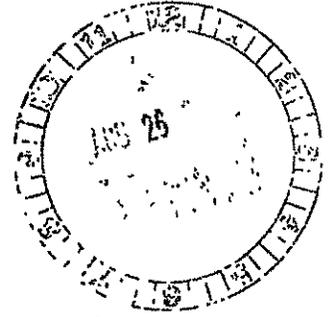
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cc: Sunflower Recreational Trails, Inc.

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Re: Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 269X), *Union Pacific Railroad Company --
Abandonment Exemption -- in Osborne and Rooks Counties, KS*

✓ Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 270X), *Union Pacific Railroad Company --
Abandonment Exemption -- in Osborne and Smith Counties, KS*

Dear Ms. Brown:

Sunflower Recreational Trails, Inc. (SRT) hereby respectfully requests that the trail use negotiating periods for the two rights-of-way listed below be extended to 180 days from September 8, 2010, which is the date on which the existing trail use negotiating periods are scheduled to expire. The two rights-of-way are:

Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 269X), Right-of-Way between Milepost No. 550.5 west of Osborne and Milepost No. 580.63 at the end of line west of Stockton, a distance of 30.13 miles in Osborne and Rooks Counties, Kansas; and

Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 270X), Right-of-Way between Milepost No. 540.3 west of Downs and Milepost No. 552.7 west of Portis, a distance of 12.4 miles in Osborne and Smith Counties, Kansas.

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Enclosed is an original and 10 copies of this communication and a check for \$900 to cover the filing fees of \$450 each for the two requested extensions.

Very truly yours.

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Recreational Trails, Inc.*

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