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Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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**Re: Docket AB-33 (Sub-No. 166X), Union Pacific Railroad Company
- Abandonment Exemption - In Adams and Hall Counties, Nebraska
(Hansen Industrial Lead between Hastings and Hansen, Nebraska)**

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Union Pacific Railroad Company has received a request from the City of Hastings for an additional 180 extension in which to complete negotiations for the acquisition of that portion of the Union Pacific's right-of-way in Hastings, NE and referred to as the Hansen Industrial Lead between M.P. 1.0 and M.P. 7.5 for an interim recreational trail. The Union Pacific is willing to continue to negotiate with the City of Hastings concerning the acquisition of the subject property for interim recreational trail and supports the City of Hastings' request for an extension of the negotiating period for 180 days commencing as of May 16, 2002. A copy of the City of Hastings' request is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and hereby made a part hereof.

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

Very truly yours,

Mack H. Shumate, Jr.,
Senior General Attorney

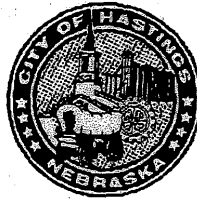
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Richard J. Sheehy
Mayor

May 13, 2002

Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 "K" Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

**RE: Union Pacific Railroad Company
Abandonment in Adams and Hall Counties, Nebraska,
Docket AB-33 (Sub-No. 166X)**

Dear Mr. Williams,

The City of Hastings, Nebraska is requesting a 180-day extension on our request for a Public Use Condition and Trail Use of the Hansen Industrial Lead between Hastings, Nebraska and Hansen, Nebraska.

Over the last several months, the City of Hastings and the Union Pacific Railroad have been attempting negotiations dealing with the previous actions affecting this line. Due to circumstances, the City and the Union Pacific Railroad have been unable to complete negotiations.

Linda Baburek has been assigned to work on this issue, and she has advised me that as of June 1, 2002 Union Pacific no longer needs this line for storage, therefore we will be able to begin negotiations.

The City of Hastings looks forward to negotiating with the Union Pacific Railroad in the future.

You may contact me at 402-461-2317 if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard J. Sheehy".

Richard J. Sheehy
Mayor

RJS/gs

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