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The Honorable Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, S. W. Room #100
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

**RE: Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use or Abandonment Union Pacific Railroad
Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Lafayette County, Missouri Docket No. AB 33
(Sub-No. 297X) Service Date – January 23, 2018**

Dear Ms. Brown:

Under the above described Decision, the Notice of Interim Trail Use (NITU) for purposes of negotiation was granted July 29, 2017, and the permit for public use negotiations was granted until January 22, 2018.

At this time, the City of Lexington, a third class city, situated in Lafayette County, Missouri, is formally requesting extension of the NITU for purposes of negotiation with Union Pacific Railroad Company, and permit an additional 180 days from January 22, 2018, for those public use negotiations. This additional time is being requested in anticipation of fully completing this negotiation process during this period. The parties are very close to final settlement of this matter. Union Pacific Railroad and the City have agreed on a purchase price, but need further time to prepare legal documents to finalize this transaction. Pursuant to discussions with Union Pacific Railroad Company representatives, the Company has no objection to this request.

On behalf of the City of Lexington, I appreciate your consideration of this request. Please contact me at your earliest convenience if you should have any questions.

Respectfully yours,

Valoree Maycock
Attorney for the City of Lexington, Missouri

cc: Mack H. Shumate, Jr. - Union Pacific Senior General Attorney
Rick Harris, Union Pacific Real Estate Department
Jerry Brown - Mayor, City of Lexington, Missouri
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