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Re: Docket No. 42080, *Minnesota Northern Railroad, Inc. v. Canadian National Railway Company*

Dear Mr. Williams:

Complainant's rebuttal in the above proceeding is due on November 25, 2003.

In behalf of Complainant, this is to respectfully request an extension of 10 days, to December 5, 2003, of the date for filing Complainant's rebuttal. The requested extension is necessitated by delay in the mail when counsel for Complainant sent Defendant's reply statement to Complainant. It was necessary to send the statement a second time after failure to receive the first mailing.

I am authorized by counsel for Defendant, T.J. Litwiler, Esq., to state that Defendant does not object to the requested extension.

Very truly yours,

Tom McFarland

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Attorney for Complainant

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cc: T.J. Litwiler, Esq.
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