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

RE: STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub No. 262X) – Abandonment and Discontinuance of the Elm Industrial Lead in Fulton and Peoria Counties, IL

Dear Ms. Brown:

Union Pacific has received a request from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (“IDNR”) to extend an Interim Trail Use Condition in the above-captioned proceeding. Union Pacific is willing to continue negotiating with IDNR concerning the acquisition of the subject property for trail use and supports IDNR’s request for an extension.

IDNR requested a 180-day extension. Union Pacific requests that the Board instead extend the Interim Trail Use Condition for one year, until March 30, 2021, pursuant to the Board’s decision in *Limiting Extensions of Trail Use Negotiating Periods*, STB Docket No. EP 749 (Sub-No. 1) (Served December 4, 2019). This extension, if granted, would be the one additional extension beyond the four-year anniversary of the issuance of the CITU or NITU provided by the Board as a ‘transitional measure’ under the final rule in EP 749 (Sub-No. 1). Counsel for Union Pacific conferred with counsel for IDNR and IDNR consents to the one year extension.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jeremy Berman

Jeremy Berman

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