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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W., Room 1034
Washington, DC 20423-0001

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Re: **Docket No. FD 35918**
City of Appleton -- Petition for Declaratory Order

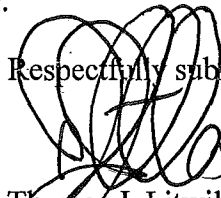
Dear Ms. Brown:

Wisconsin Central Ltd. ("WCL") requests an additional 30-day extension, to August 11, 2017, to file a reply as previously directed by the Board in the above-captioned proceeding. WCL is processing for final approval and execution an agreement with the City of Appleton (the "City") that resolves the matters raised by the City's pending declaratory order petition. The requested extension will provide the parties time to schedule and conclude a closing of the transactions contemplated by the agreement, after which the City will seek dismissal of this proceeding.

Counsel for the City and for Union Pacific Railroad Company have indicated that they have no objection to the requested extension.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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Jeremy M. Berman, Esq., UP