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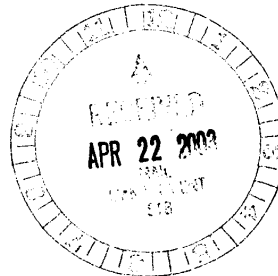


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Via First Class Mail and Fax (202) 565-9004

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

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Re: STB Docket No. AB-314 (Sub-No. 2X), Chicago, Central & Pacific
Railroad Company ("CCP") — Abandonment Exemption in Linn County,
Iowa

Dear Secretary Williams:

Please disregard my fax of April 7, 2003. CCP agrees with an extension request of the NITU dated April 4, 2003 and sent by the City of Marion. CCP desires the NITU be extended only from milepost 225.7 to milepost 229.1. CCP plans on consummating the abandonment from milepost 229.1 to 229.5.

Ten copies of this letter are enclosed.

Very truly yours,


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