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Surface Transportation Board Cynthia Brown, Administrator
395 E Street
Washington, DC 20423

RE: AB 33-316X UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY-
ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION-IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, IOWA

Dear Ms. Brown,

On November 14, 2018, the Iowa National Heritage Foundation (INHF) requested an extension of the NITU in AB 33-361X. The National Association of Reversionary Property Owners (NARPO) requests the STB to not extend the NITU. The original NITU was issued by the STB on December 13, 2013 for 0.56 miles of right of way. How long does it take to acquire a title search or whatever on a ½ mile of property? During the eight NITU extensions, INHF has used various excuses for an extension, but it appears in reality nothing has been done in over five years. So why should the STB expend more time and effort to approve another NITU extension.

Assuming EP 749-1 is approved shortly and limits the NITU extensions to six extensions, then this NITU will be null and void so why extend it now.

Sincerely yours,

Richard Welsh, executive director NARPO

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