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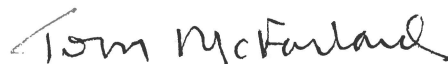
Re: STB Docket No. AB-1269X, *Iowa Traction Railway Company -- Abandonment
Exemption -- in Cerro Gordo County, IA*

Dear Ms. Brown:

Reference is made to the trail use request contained in a letter to you dated February 28, 2019 from the City of Mason City, Iowa; Cerro Gordo County, Iowa; and the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation (Commentors).

This is to notify the Board that in the event that an exemption for the proposed abandonment in the above proceeding becomes effective, Iowa Traction Railway Company is willing to negotiate with Commentors for railbanking and interim recreational trail use of the right-of-way land in the rail line.

Very truly yours,



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Mr. Aaron Burnett, City Administrator, City of Mason City, IA, *by first-class, U.S. mail*