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**BEFORE THE
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

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CITY OF FISHERS, CITY OF	)	
NOBLESVILLE, AND HAMILTON	)	FINANCE DOCKET
COUNTY, INDIANA – PETITION FOR	)	NO. 36137
PARTIAL REVOCATION OF	)	
EXEMPTION	)	
	)	
NORFOLK AND WESTERN RAILWAY	)	
COMPANY – ABANDONMENT	)	DOCKET NO. AB-290 (Sub-No. 117X)
EXEMPTION – BETWEEN INDIANAPOLIS	)	
AND TIPTON IN MARION, HAMILTON,	)	
AND TIPTON COUNTIES, IND.	)	

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE REBUTTAL

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USR believes additional briefing on three issues addressed in Petitioners' Reply would aid the Board in its disposition of this matter. First, USR would provide additional insight to clarify the public policy behind the various statutes and regulations at issue in this case.

Petitioners allege that the relevant public policy considerations lean in their favor, but in fact all public policy at issue favors turning the rail line into an active freight line. Second, Petitioners do not acknowledge the inevitable outcome if they are successful in invoking the Trails Act; that is, the line would be railbanked and could be reactivated at any time, which would be right away in this instance because USR would stand ready to do so. Last, Petitioners argue against permitting a feeder line application or an offer of financial assistance to reactivate this rail line, and USR believes these arguments can easily be overcome due to the Board's broad discretion under the Interstate Commerce Act and the overarching policy to maintain the nation's rail system.

Wherefore, USR asks the Board to grant its motion for leave to file its rebuttal, filed simultaneously herewith.

Respectfully submitted



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Priscilla Leonard, hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing **MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE REBUTTAL** dated July 3, 2018, was served by overnight mail to Petitioners, and U.S. Mail, first class postage prepaid, upon all other parties of record.


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