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Hon. Vernon A. Williams
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Dear Secretary Williams:

This refers to STB Docket No. AB-573X, Trinidad Railways, Inc.--Abandonment Exemption--In Las Animas County, CO, and the Decision of the Board, Secretary Williams, served February 28, 2002.

The Decision establishes March 18, 2002, as the date when the "set terms" request will need to be filed with the Board.

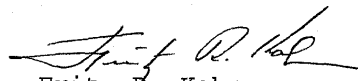
Assuming that the parties in the meantime will not have reached an agreement on the price to be paid for the property and assuming, further, that it is Rail Ventures, Inc. ("RVI"), which will file its "set terms" request on March 18, 2002, Kern Valley Railroad Company ("KVR"), pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 1152.27(h)(4), will have five days to reply, that is, no later than March 25, 2002.

A prior out-of-town commitment between March 21 and 25, 2002, will take counsel for KVR, a sole practitioner, away from the office for three of the five days.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that KVR's reply date be extended three days, to March 28, 2002.

Counsel for RVI, after checking with his client, graciously has agreed not to oppose the three-day extension request.

Sincerely yours,


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