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August 9, 2005

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



**Re: Surface Transportation Board Finance Docket No. 34743; BNSF Railway Company –
Trackage Rights Exemption – Union Pacific Railroad Company**

Dear Secretary Williams:

Enclosed please find the original Verification in connection with the Verified Notice of Exemption which was filed on August 8, 2005, in the above-referenced docket. I would appreciate it if you would date-stamp the extra copy of this letter and return it to the messenger for our files. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Roper/als

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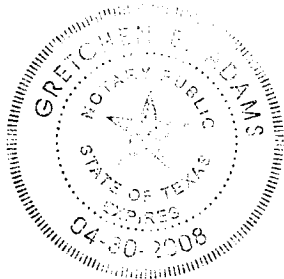


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COUNTY OF TARRANT §

Michael E. Roper being duly sworn, deposes and says that he has read the foregoing notice of exemption and that the contents thereof are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Michael E. Roper
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of August, 2005.



Gretchen E. Adams
Notary Public

My Commission expires:

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