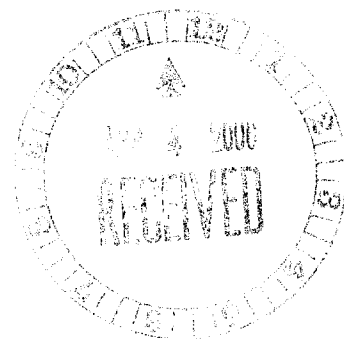




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Ref. AB 33 (Sub No. 200X)

Dear Mr. Williams

With regard to the above STB Docket number, we wish to request an extension of time in which to continue negotiations to acquire the railroad right-of-way between milepost 318.36 near Hampton and milepost 294.75 near Allison in Iowa's Franklin and Butler counties.

The Union Pacific Railroad has not abandoned this right-of-way and has been negotiating sale to us for the purpose of establishing a trail within the corridor, known as the eastern portion of the Bristow Subdivision.

We are requesting the assignment of another 180 days in which to hopefully conclude these negotiations, beyond the expiration time of March 15 of this year.

We are sending a copy of this request to the Union Pacific offices in Omaha and Chicago, asking for a confirmation of their willingness to continue these negotiations and are supplying ten copies of this letter to your office.

We thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Tom F. Neenan