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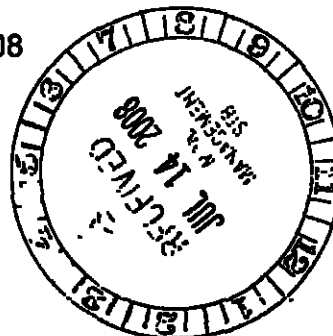
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Ms Anne Quinlan
Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
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RE: STB Docket No. 35161, Petition of Joseph R. Fox for Declaratory Order (Ironton Branch)

Dear Secretary Quinlan:

Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") respectfully requests that the Board grant UP a 30-day extension of time to reply to Joseph R. Fox's Petition for Declaratory Order, filed on June 20, 2008 in the above-referenced matter.

UP and Mr. Fox have entered into discussions aimed at resolving the dispute regarding UP's Ironton Branch. If successfully resolved, UP will notify the Board and request discontinuance of this proceeding. UP understands that under Board regulations, its reply to Mr. Fox's petition is currently due on July 10, 2008. If the Board grants the extension, UP's reply will be due no later than August 9, 2008. Mr. Fox has advised UP that he does not object to its request for an extension of time.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Gabriel S. Meyer