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Dear Ms. Washburn:

The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Company ("BNSF") and Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) are preparing written comments on the above referenced rulemaking. Your notice of June 10, 2003 requests the comments be filed by July 8, 2003. In order to obtain the necessary review by our clients we will not be able to file our comments until July 15, 2003. During a discussion with Mr. Michael E. Rowswell on June 27th, he stated that he would not have an objection to this short delay. I am writing at this time to confirm Mr. Rowswell's and my understanding. Unless this creates a problem, no response to this letter is required.

Yours very truly,

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