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The proposed 18'6" will clear our engines and tank cars we handle into this plant. Ok to issue the permit providing Lonzo properly posts all close clearance signage on their buildings to list the clearances.

Thank You

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## **EXTERNAL EMAIL**

No we have not.

An email from you as the Roadmaster will suffice, stating that BNSF is in agreement with the customers' petitions, will continue to provide service, and will post notice of the clearance to train crews in a general order.

### **Mike Turcott**

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Mike,

Just checking to see if you received approval from BNSF on this permit?

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## **EXTERNAL EMAIL**

Dear Mr. Baker,

UTC rail staff have received requests for close clearance rule exemptions from two of your customers, Andeaver Logistics in Vancouver, and Lonza Wood Protection in Kalama. These are typical clearance issues associated with these types of facilities. We will recommend that the Commission grant these waivers, with the required standard signage, but we need to know if BNSF is in support. Waivers of the clearance requirements are necessary for BNSF to continue serving these industries.

**Andeavor Logistics, Vancouver**

**Docket TR-190484**

Andeavor Logistics is seeking an exemption (waiver) from overhead and side clearance restrictions.

Overhead clearance: 18'6" from top of rail to bottom of safety cage.

Side clearance: 6'8" from center of track to biodiesel piping.

**Lonza Wood Protection, Kalama**

**Docket TR-190486**

Lonza Wood Protection is seeking an exemption (waiver) from overhead and side clearance restrictions.

Overhead clearance: 18'8" from top of rail to bottom of safety cage.

Side clearance: 6'0" from center of track to concrete platform previously used as base for car moving pulley system. This platform is 26" high.

Please reply indicating if BNSF supports these request.

Thank you.

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