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Mr. Ron Law
Executive Administrator
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
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RE: Proposed Union Pacific Railroad Abandonment in Coeur d'Alene,
(STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 272X))

Dear Ron:

Thank you for your letter of July 29, 2008 informing me of Union Pacific's intent to abandon the above referenced rail line. I will try to follow the progress of this abandonment through the STB's website but I would also appreciate it if you would copy me with any information that is filed with the Idaho PUC as well as notice of any public hearings.

I believe that the city of Coeur d'Alene supports this abandonment and I do not believe that this abandonment will adversely affect Idaho or the citizens of Coeur d'Alene. There are currently no rail shippers on this line and I am not aware of any prospective shippers.

Thanks again for the letter and I look forward to seeing you and the commissioners in Coeur d'Alene for the public hearing.

Very truly yours,

Michael C. Gridley
City Attorney

cc: Honorable Sandi Bloem – Mayor, City of Coeur d'Alene