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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown Chief, Section of Administration Office of Proceedings Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street SW Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

Re: Proposed Abandonment of the Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, St. Louis County, MO, STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X), Union Pacific Railroad Company

Proposed Discontinuance of Service on the Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, St. Louis County, MO, STB Docket No. AB 1338X, Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC

Dear Ms. Brown:

Pursuant to the Board's exemption procedures under 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50, enclosed for electronic filing in Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X) and Docket No. AB 1338X is a Joint Verified Notice of Exemption for Union Pacific Railroad Company to abandon, and for Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC to discontinue service over, respectively, approximately .55 miles of the Rock Island Old Passenger Main from MP 11.58 to MP 11.03 in St. Louis County, Missouri. The filing fees for these two proceedings, totaling \$9,400.00, have been paid via pay.gov.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

Christine A. Neuharth Senior General Attorney 1400 Douglas St, MS1580 Omaha, NE 68179 FEE RECEIVED 402-544-4764 (Tel.) April 16, 2024 caneuhar@up.com SURFACE

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BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X) UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY -- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION --IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MO

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Joint Notice of Exemption

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Dated: April 16, 2024

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Joint Verified Notice of Exemption

Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") and Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC ("MER") (collectively, "the Railroads") jointly file this Verified Notice of Exemption pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1152, Subpart F-- Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service and Trackage Rights, for UP to abandon and for the MER to discontinue operations over that portion of the Rock Island Old Passenger Main extending from Milepost 11.58 to Milepost 11.03, near Olivette, in St. Louis County, Missouri (the "Line"). The stub-ended Line is a total distance of 0.55 miles ending at Milepost 11.03. The Line is subject to a Lease Agreement dated December 4, 2015, between UP, as lessor, and Central Midland Railway Company ("CMR"), as lessee. CMR subsequently assigned its leasehold interest in the Line to MER on February 28, 2022, with UP's consent. MER assumed leasehold possession of the Line on March 1, 2022.

Proposed Consummation Date: 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50(d)(2) The proposed

abandonment and discontinuance of service will be consummated on or after the effective date of the subject class exemptions.

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Certification: 49 C.F.R. 1152.50(b)

Each of the Railroads hereby certifies that no local or overhead traffic has moved over the stub-ended Line for at least two years. Therefore, there is no need to reroute any traffic. Each of the Railroads further hereby certifies that no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the Line (or filed by a state or local governmental entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the Line is pending either with the Board or any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of the complainant within the two-year period.

Additional Information Required: 49 C.F.R. 1152.22(a)(1)-(4), (7)-(8) and (e)(4)

(a) <u>General</u>.

(a)(1) UP's exact name is Union Pacific Railroad Company. MER's exact name is Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC.

(a)(2) Both UP and MER are common carriers by railroad subject to 49U.S.C. Subtitle IV, Chapter 105.

(a)(3) UP has invoked the Board's class exemption procedures at 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 to abandon the Line, comprised of a portion of the Rock Island Old Passenger Main extending from Milepost 11.58 to Milepost 11.03, near Olivette, in St. Louis County, Missouri. The stub-ended Line is a total distance of 0.55 miles ending at Milepost 11.03 (as previously defined, the "Line"). MER has invoked the same class exemption procedures to discontinue operations over the Line.

(a)(4) A map showing the location of the Line in relation to other rail lines, highways, and major roads in the area is attached as **Exhibit 1**.

(a)(7) The representatives to whom correspondence regarding these abandonment and discontinuance proceedings should be sent are as follows:

Attorney for Union Pacific Railroad Company

Christine A. Neuharth Senior General Attorney 1400 Douglas Street, MS 1580 Omaha, NE 68179 402-544-4764 caneuhar@up.com

Attorney for Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC

Robert A. Wimbish Fletcher & Sippel LLC 29 North Wacker Drive, Suite 800 Chicago, IL 60606 (312) 252-1504 rwimbish@fletcher-sippel.com

(a)(8) <u>ZIP Codes</u>. The Line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Code63132.

(e)(4) Rural and Community Impact.

UPs intends to sell the right-of-way, track, ties, ballast, one bridge (located at Milepost 11.58), public road crossings, and railroad signals (all improvements), and assign any existing leases, licenses, or easements, to Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District, a corporate and political subdivision of the State of Missouri (the "Buyer"). To that end, UP and the Buyer have entered into a purchase and sale agreement under which the assembled corridor would be sold to Buyer to be re-deployed as a hike/bike trail. Culverts and right-of-way grading will remain intact so as not to alter the prevailing drainage and water flows along the Line. Ballast will typically be left in place but may be removed by the Buyer after the sale if it is of exceptional quality - thus suitable for resale.

All track, ties, public road crossings, and railroad signals will be salvaged and removed by a contractor engaged by the Buyer after consummation of the proposed

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abandonment and completion of the sale. The Buyer also intends to remove the bridge superstructure, while the bridge abutment walls will generally remain in place. Buyer's contract for salvage and removal would include detailed information on any environmental or historical conditions imposed by the Board, if applicable.

Based on UP's records, UP holds fee title to the real property that comprises the right-of-way, and the Line does not contain federally granted right-of-way. Any documentation in UP's possession regarding UP's title to the Line will be made available to those requesting it.

No local traffic has moved over the Line during the past two years, and there is no overhead traffic or passenger service on the Line. The Railroads have received no request for rail service on the Line in well over two years. No complaint regarding cessation of service has been filed, is pending, or has been ruled upon in favor of a complainant during the prior two years.

A map of the Line is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.

Labor Protection

The interests of UP and MER employees will be protected by the conditions set forth in <u>Oregon Short Line Railroad Co. – Abandonment – Goshen</u>, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

Certifications

Attached as **Exhibit 2** is a Certificate of Service and Publication, pursuant to the notice requirements of 49 C.F.R §§ 1152.50(d)(1), 1105.11 and 1105.12.

Environmental and Historic Report

A copy of the cover letter which accompanied the UP's Combined Environmental and Historic Report ("CEHR"), containing the information required by 49 C.F.R. §§

1105.7(e) and 1105.8, and delivered in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 1105.11, is attached as **Exhibit 3**. The CEHR was electronically filed with the Surface Transportation Board on March 27, 2024. The CEHR indicates there is one bridge on the line 50 years or older.

Since serving the CEHR, UP received correspondence from the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office ("Missouri SHPO"), the Missouri Federal Assistance Clearinghouse (Clearinghouse), and the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District (MSD). The Missouri SHPO has determined that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed abandonment. The Clearinghouse offered no comments or recommendations at this time. MSD has no objections as long its easement/agreement rights are retained. These letters are attached to **Exhibit 3** referenced above.

Dated April 16, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY

Christine A. Neuharth Senior General Attorney 1400 Douglas Street, MS 1580 Omaha, NE 68179 402-544-4764 caneuhar@up.com

MISSOURI EASTERN RAILROAD, LLC

s/ Robert A. Wimbish

Robert A. Wimbish Fletcher & Sippel LLC 29 North Wacker Drive, Suite 800 Chicago, IL 60606 (312) 252-1504 rwimbish@fletcher-sippel.com

VERIFICATION

State of Nebraska County of Douglas

I, Olin H. Dirks, Manager Commercial & Interline Strategy, for Union Pacific Railroad Company declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the forgoing document and that its assertions are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I further declare that I am qualified and authorized to submit this verification on behalf of Union Pacific Railroad Company.

Dated at Omaha, Nebraska, this $//^{th}$ day of April, 2024.

) ss:

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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this day of April, 2024.

Notary Public

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska JENNIE L. ANDERSON My Comm. Exp. April 9, 2027

VERIFICATION

State of Missouri) County of JASPER) I, John Towner, <u>PRESIDENT</u>, for Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the forgoing document and that its assertions are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I further declare that I am qualified and authorized to submit this verification on behalf of Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC.

Dated at Japlin, <u>M:ssovri</u>, this <u>16</u>th day of April, 2024.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 16^{+h} day of April, 2024.

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Notary Public



EXHIBIT 2

Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X) UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY -- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION --IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MO

Docket No. AB 1338X MISSOURI EASTERN RAILROAD, LLC -- DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE EXEMPTION --IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MO

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AND PUBLICATION

49 C.F.R. § 1152.50(d)(1) - Notice

The undersigned certifies that on March 22, 2024, Union Pacific Railroad

Company ("UP") and Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC ("MER") jointly supplied written

notice of their intent to use the Board's class exemption procedures for UP to abandon,

and for MER to discontinue its leasehold common carrier operations over, the Rock

Island Old Passenger Main in St. Louis County, Missouri in Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No.

350X). Said written notice (a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment 1) was

served on the following:

Nancy Dippell, Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission Governor Office Bldg 200 Madison Street, PO Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102-0360

Chief of the Forest Service U. S. Department of Agriculture 4th Floor, N.W. Auditors Bldg. 1400 Independence Ave. SW Washington, DC 20250-0003 ATTN: Recreation Resources Assistance Division National Park Service 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240

ATTN: Railroads for National Defense Program Transportation Engineering Agency (SDTE-SA) Headquarters – Military Surface Deployment & Distribution Command 1 Soldier Way Scott AFB, IL 62225

49 C.F.R. § 1105.11 – Transmittal Letter for Applicant's Report

The undersigned certifies that on March 12, 2024, Union Pacific Railroad

Company served in Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X) a Combined Environmental and

Historic Report pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7 and 1105.8 in connection with the

proposed abandonment of the Rock Island Old Passenger Main in St. Louis County,

Missouri, on the following:

- (1) State Clearinghouse (or alternate)
- (2) State Environmental Protection Agency
- (3) Head of each County
- (4) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Regional Office
- (5) U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- (6) U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- (7) National Park Service
- (8) U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service
- (9) The National Geodetic Survey
- (10) Other Agencies Consulted (As Listed)
- (11) State Historic Preservation Office

(The Certificate of Service attached to the cover letter which accompanied UP's Combined Environmental Historic Reports lists the names and addresses of the federal, state and local agencies.)

49 C.F.R. § 1105.12 – Newspaper Notice

The undersigned further certifies that UP and MER arranged for a joint "Notice of

Intent to Abandon and Discontinue Service" to be published in the form prescribed by

the Board for a Notice of Exemption (Copy Attached as Attachment 2). The Notice

was published one time in a major newspaper in the county in which the Line is located

as follows:

County

Newspaper

Date

St. Louis

St. Louis Post-Dispatch March 27, 2024

Dated this 16th day of April, 2024.

Christine A. Neuharth Senior General Attorney 1400 Douglas Street, MS 1580 Omaha, NE 68179 402-544-4764 caneuhar@up.com

EXHIBIT 2 - ATTACHMENT 1



March 22, 2024

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ATTN: Railroads for National Defense Program Transportation Engineering Agency (SDTE-SA) Headquarters – Military Surface Deployment & Distribution Command 1 Soldier Way Scott AFB, IL 62225-5006

Re: Proposed Abandonment of the Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, St. Louis County, MO, STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X), Union Pacific Railroad Company

Proposed Discontinuance of Service on the Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, St. Louis County, MO, STB Docket No. AB 1338X, Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") and Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC expect to file with the United States Surface Transportation Board ("STB"), on or after April 1, 2024, a Notice of Exemption seeking authority to abandon and discontinue service over a line segment known generally as the Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, MO, extending from Milepost 11.58 to Milepost 11.03 a total distance of approximately 0.55 miles in St. Louis County, Missouri (the "Line"). The Line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Code 63132.

The "no business" exemption procedure will be used to abandon the Line, pursuant to the STB's abandonment regulations at 49 C.F.R. §1152.50. No local traffic has moved over the Line for at least two years and there is no overhead traffic on the Line. A Notice of Exemption to abandon and discontinue service on the Line pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 (no local traffic for at least two years) will be filed with the STB on or after April 1, 2024.

Based on information in UP's possession, the Line does not contain federally granted rights-ofway. Any documentation in UP's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it. A map showing the segment of Line to be abandoned is attached for your information.

Sincerely,

s/ Christine A. Neuharth

Christine A. Neuharth Senior General Attorney 1400 Douglas St, MS1580 Omaha, NE 68179 402-544-4764 (Tel.) caneuhar@up.com

Attachment

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CO. 1400 Douglas Street, MS 1580 Omaha, Nebraska 68179 Christine A. Neuharth Senior General Attorney Law Department P 402-544-4764 E caneuhar@up.com



ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Union Pacific Railroad-Law Dept 1400 Douglas St., Mail Stop 1580 Omaha, NE 68179 Attn: Lori Casey (Affidavit Enclosed)

Ad Number – 128480 – PO# Lori Casey - Description: NOTICE OF INTENT TO ABANDON AND DISCONTINUE RAIL SERVICE...

THE ATTACHED ADVERTISEMENT WAS PUBLISHED

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ABANDON AND DISCONTINUE RAIL SERVICE

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY (UP) AND MISSOURI EASTERN RAILROAD, LLC

(MER) GIVE NOTICE THAT ON OR AFTER April 1, 2024, they intend to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, D.C., a joint notice of exemption under 49 C.F.R. Part 1152, Subpart F – Exempt Abandonments to permit, respectively, UP's abandonment of the Rock Island Old Passenger Main extending from Milepost 11.58 to 11.03 a total distance of 0.55 miles near Olivette, in St. Louis County, Missouri (the "Line") which traverses U.S. Postal Service ZIP Code G3132, and for MER's discontinuance of common carrier operations over the Line. The UP and MER proceedings have been docketed as Nos. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X) and AB 1338X, respectively.

The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) will generally prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) in connection with UP's proposed abandonment of the Line, which will normally be available 25 days after the filing of the notice of exemption. Comments on environmental and energy matters should be filed no later than 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public and will be addressed in a Board decision. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to the Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA), Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20423 or by calling that office at (202) 245-0291. In the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on the following date(s): 3/27/2024

A version of the ad also appeared on STLtoday.com Starting: 3/27/2024

Appropriate offers of financial assistance to continue rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, public use conditions, or rail banking/trails use also can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters other than environmental issues (such as trails use, public use, and offers of financial assistance) must be filed directly with the Board's Office of Proceedings, 395 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20423 [See 49 CFR 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on the applicant's representative. [See 49 CFR 1104.12(a)]. Questions regarding offers of financial assistance, public use or trails use may be directed to the Board's Office of Public Assistance.

901 N. TENTH ST., ST LOUIS MO 63101

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 4/2, 2024

NOTARY PUBLIC, CITY OF ST.LOUIS

COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE

PHONE 314-340-8000

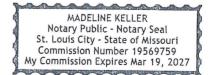


EXHIBIT 3

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ENTERED Office of Proceedings March 27, 2024 Part of Public Record

March 12, 2024

VIA US Mail

TO: See Attached Service List

Re: Proposed Abandonment of the Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, St. Louis County, MO, STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X), Union Pacific Railroad Company

Proposed Discontinuance of Service on the Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, St. Louis County, MO, STB Docket No. AB 1338X, Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC

To Whom It May Concern:

On or after April 1, 2024, Union Pacific Railroad Company ("UP") and Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC expect to be filing with the Surface Transportation Board ("STB" or "Board") a Notice of Exemption seeking authority to abandon and discontinue service over a line segment known generally as the Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, Missouri, extending from Milepost 11.58 to Milepost 11.03, a total distance of approximately 0.55 miles in St. Louis County, Missouri ("the Line"). Attached is a Combined Environmental and Historic Report describing the proposed action and any expected environmental and historic effects, as well as a map of the affected area.

Union Pacific is providing this report so that you may review the information that will form the basis for the STB's independent environmental analysis of this proceeding. If any of the information is misleading or incorrect, if you believe that pertinent information is missing, or if you have any questions about the Board's environmental review process, please contact the Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA), Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 245-0291 and refer to the above Docket Nos. Because the applicable statutes and regulations impose stringent deadlines for processing this action, your written comments to OEA (with a copy to our representative) would be appreciated within three weeks.

Your comments will be considered by the Board in evaluating the environmental and/or historic preservation impacts of the contemplated action. If there are any questions concerning this proposal, please contact our representative directly. Our representative in this matter is Christine A. Neuharth who may be contacted by telephone at 402-544-4764 or by mail at 1400 Douglas Street, MS 1580, Omaha, NE 68179.

Sincerely,

s/ Christine A. Neuharth

Christine A. Neuharth, Sr. General Attorney Union Pacific Railroad Company 1400 Douglas Street, MS 1580 Omaha, Nebraska 68179 (402) 544-4764 caneuhar@up.com

Attachment

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STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X) and Docket No. AB 1338X

Service List

State Clearinghouse (or Alternate):

Missouri Federal Assistance Clearinghouse Office of Administration Missouri State Capitol Building, Room 125 201 West Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 809 Jefferson City, MO 65102

State Environmental Protection Agency:

Division of Environmental Quality 1101 Riverside Drive P.O. Box 176 Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176

Environmental Protection Agency (Regional Office):

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 11201 Renner Boulevard Lenexa, KS 66219

State of Missouri Historic Preservation Office:

Tammy Boeschen Missouri SHPO Review, Compliance, and Records Missouri Dept of Natural Resources 1659 E Elm St, P.O. Box 176 Jefferson City, MO 65102

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service:

Martha Williams, Director U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 1849 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20240

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: Headquarters U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 441 G Street NW Washington, DC 20314-1000

Department of the Army St. Louis District, Corps of Engineers 1222 Spruce Street St. Louis, Missouri 63103-2833

National Park Service:

National Park Service 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240

U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service:

Terry Cosby, Chief Natural Resource Conservation Service 1400 Independence Ave. Washington, DC 20250

National Geodetic Survey:

NGS Information Services, NOAA, N/NGS12 Geodetic Services Division SSMC-3 #9340 1315 E-W Highway Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282 RRAE@noaa.gov

Head of St. Louis County, Missouri:

Dr. Sam Page, County Executive, St. Louis County 41 South Central Clayton, MO 63105

Stephanie Leon Streeter, PE Director, Dept of Transportation & Public Works 1050 North Lindbergh St. Louis, MO 63132

Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District 2350 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63103



Michael L. Parson Governor

> Dru Buntin Director

April 1, 2024

Christine A. Neuharth Union Pacific Railroad Company 1400 Douglass Street, MS 1580 Omaha, NE, 68179

Re: SHPO Project Number: 002-SL-24 — STB Docket Nos. AB-33_350X and AB 1338X, Abandonment & Discontinuance, Rock Island Old Passenger Main, Milepost 11.58 to Milepost 11.03, Rock Island Old Passenger Main, Olivette, St. Louis County, Missouri (STB)

Dear Christine A. Neuharth:

Thank you for submitting information to the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) regarding the above-referenced project for review pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, P.L. 89-665, as amended (NHPA), and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's regulation 36 CFR Part 800, which require identification and evaluation of historic properties.

We have reviewed the information regarding the above-referenced project and have included our comments on the following page(s). Please retain this documentation as evidence of consultation with the Missouri SHPO under Section 106 of the NHPA. SHPO concurrence does not complete the Section 106 process as federal agencies will need to conduct consultation with all interested parties. **Please be advised that, if the current project area or scope of work changes, such as a borrow area being added, or cultural materials are encountered during construction, appropriate information must be provided to this office for further review and comment.**

If you have questions please contact the SHPO at (573)751-7858 or call/email Charles Horton (573) 526-4591, charles.horton@dnr.mo.gov. If additional information is required please submit the information via email to MOSection106@dnr.mo.gov.

Sincerely,

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

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Brian Stith Deputy Director Division of State Parks Deputy Missouri State Historic Preservation Officer

April 1, 2024 Christine A. Neuharth Page **2** of **2**

SHPO Project Number: 002-SL-24 — STB Docket Nos. AB-33_350X and AB 1338X, Abandonment & Discontinuance, Rock Island Old Passenger Main, Milepost 11.58 to Milepost 11.03, Rock Island Old Passenger Main, Olivette, St. Louis County, Missouri (STB)

COMMENTS:

Adequate documentation has been provided as outlined in 36 CFR Section 800.11. After review of the initial submission, the project area has no known historic properties present and a low potential for the occurrence of cultural resources. SHPO concurs with your determination of **no historic properties affected**.



Michael L. Parson Governor State of Missouri OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION Post Office Box 809 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 Phone: (573) 751-1851

Kenneth J. Zellers Commissioner

April 2, 2024

Subject:

Christine Neuharth 1400 Douglas Street Omaha, NE 68179

2409042
Legal Name: Union Pacific Railroad Co
Agency:
Project Description: proposed Abandonment of the Rock Island Old
Passenger Main near Olivette, St. Louis County, MO, STB Docket
No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 350X), Union Pacific Railroad Company /
Proposed Discontinuance of Service on the Rock Island Old
Passenger Main near Olivette, S

The Missouri Federal Assistance Clearinghouse, in cooperation with state and local agencies interested or possibly affected, has completed the review on the above project application.

None of the agencies involved in the review had comments or recommendations to offer at this time. This concludes the Clearinghouse's review.

A copy of this letter is to be attached to the application as evidence of compliance with the State Clearinghouse requirements.

Sincerely,

Sara VanderFelt

Sara VanderFeltz Administrative Assistant

cc:



Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District 2350 Market Street St. Louis, MO 63103-2555 (314) 768-6200

March 15, 2024,

Christine A. Neuharth, Sr. General Attorney Union Pacific Railroad Company 1400 Douglas Street, MS 1580 Omaha, Nebraska 68179

> Re: Proposed Abandonment of the Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, St. Louis County, Mo, STB Docket No. AB-33(Sub-No. 350X), Union Pacific Railroad Company

Proposed Discontinuance of Service Rock Island Old Passenger Main near Olivette, St. Louis County, Mo, STB Docket No. AB 1338X, Missouri Eastern Railroad, LLC.

Ms. Neuharth,

This letter is in response to the request for MSD comment based on Saint Louis County Transportation and Public works letter, dated February 22, 2024, pertaining to the above proposed abandonment and discontinuance of service request. MSD has no objections as it relates to the abandonment and discontinuance of services as long as MSD's easement/agreement rights are retained to allow access and maintenance of existing MSD assets. MSD has active public sewers in the area. If in the future, the parcel(s) is re-developed, formal plans are required to be submitted to MSD for review. Stormwater water quality and quantity management may be required in accordance with our region's MS4 Permit and MSD Rules and Regulations in effect at the time of the redevelopment.

With regards to environmental protection and hazardous waste spills, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Missouri Department of Natural Resources would have jurisdiction. Discharge of waters and wastes from the site into MSD's wastewater system, stormwater system, drainage facilities, watercourses, and outfalls are required to comply with MSD's Ordinance No. 15048.

Sincerely,

Mark Kuelker, P.E. MSD Engineering / Planning – Development Review