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Union Pacific Railroad Company ("Union Pacific") requests that the Board extend the mediation period in this docket by 30 days, until December 13, 2024. Counsel for Union Pacific and counsel for the Commuter Rail Division of the Regional Transportation Authority, d/b/a Metra ("Metra") have conferred, and Metra consents to the requested extension.

Good cause exists to grant the extension. Union Pacific filed an application for mediation in this docket on July 31, 2024. The Board issued an order directing Union Pacific and Metra to engage in mediation and appointed mediators on August 14, 2024. Under Board rules, the mediation was to be completed within 60 days—*i.e.*, by October 14, 2024. On October 15, 2024, the Board granted Union Pacific's consent motion to extend the mediation period until November 13, 2024, because the parties were unable to schedule their first in-person mediation session before the week of October 21, 2024.

Union Pacific and Metra are actively engaged in the mediation process. They currently have a second in-person mediation session scheduled for the week of December 2, 2024. Union Pacific is therefore asking the Board to extend the mediation period by 30 days.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 11th day of November, 2024, I caused a copy of the foregoing document to be served by email on counsel for Metra.

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