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Mr. Charles W Saylors COMMISSION Union Pacific Railroad 1416 Dodge St. Omaha Nebraska 68179

RE: Proposed Abandonment of Union Pacific Railroad Coeur d'Alene Industrial Lead; Combined Environmental and Historical Report

Dear Mr. Saylors:

Our office received the *Combined Environmental and Historical Report* for the proposed abandonment of Union Pacific's Coeur d'Alene Industrial Lead from MP 2.25 Feeley Spur to MP 7.50 near Gibbs, Idaho. Our letter of April 27, 2004, requested information on any buildings or structures associated with this railline that are fifty years old or older.

The historical report states that there are "no structures over fifty years in age which are affected by the proposed abandonment." If this is the case, we feel the proposed abandonment will have *no effect* on historic properties.

We appreciate your cooperation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 208-334-3847.

Sincerely,

Susan Pengilly Neitzel Deputy SHPO and

Compliance Coordinator

