

September 30, 2009

Gary Ridley Secretary of Transportation, State of Oklahoma Oklahoma Department of Transportation 200 NE 21st Street Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105-3204

Subject: Oklahoma High Speed Intercity Rail application, Track 2, South Central Corridor, Tulsa to Oklahoma City to Oklahoma/Texas state line

Dear Secretary Ridley:

On behalf of Union Pacific Railroad, I am writing to express the company's position regarding the state's efforts to provide passenger rail service from Tulsa to Oklahoma City.

As the owner / lessor of a small portion of the proposed route, Union Pacific Railroad has been approached by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation to participate in the review and development of the plan. ODOT's routing would utilize a 1 mile section UP's Industrial / Interchange lead west of Harter Yard in Oklahoma city (UP tracks 606, 110 and 109). This lead was once used as an interchange track to the BNSF and is currently used as a tail track for Harter Yard. UP will be given the opportunity to develop and/or approve an infrastructure plan that will protect service to freight customers while accommodating the new passenger service.

As a result, Union Pacific Railroad supports ODOT's application for a HSIPR Program Track 2 grant for this project to provide the public passenger rail service.

Sincerely,

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