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October 16, 2007

Andrew Wood, Deputy Director
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RE: Northern Columbia Basin Rail Project "Request for Comments"

Dear Mr. Wood

In response to your letter of September 21, 2007, the City Council's position for a new rail line is one that will follow the former Northern Pacific Railway route. The Council took the position it did, because it wished the line to be as far removed as possible from the city's current population centers now and as they are intended to exist in the future.

Since the Council elected to provide its comment, further discussions have been held with the Mayor and other Council members about a new route. After hearing from you at the October 23, 2007 City Council meeting, the Council may have further discussion and provide further comment with regard to its suggestions for a railroad route.

I hope this information provides you some additional guidance as to the City Council's position. I, city staff, and City Council look forward to hearing from you on October 23, 2007.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Joseph K. Gavinski
City Manager

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cc: Al Anderson, Port of Moses Lake, 7810 Andrews NE, Suite 200, Moses Lake, WA 98837