



# City of Casa Grande



August 27, 2008

Mr. David Raber  
Director, Safety Division  
Arizona Corporation Commission  
2200 North Central Avenue, Suite 300  
Phoenix, Arizona 85004

RE: Application of Union Pacific Railroad – Case number RR-03639A-07-0520

Dear Mr. Raber:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Pinal County (the "County"), the Cities of Maricopa, Casa Grande, and Eloy (the "Cities"), and Union Pacific Railroad Company have entered into an Agreement for the Construction and Funding of Grade Separations (the "Grade Separation Agreement"), which has now been signed by all parties. Pinal County initially sought help from the Corporation Commission in connection with Union Pacific's Double-Track Project. It is the understanding of the County and the Cities that the Commission thereafter asked Union Pacific to take into consideration the interests of the County and the Cities and to work with them to arrive at a mutually beneficial solution to certain concerns, including the possibility that the grade of the roadways at some of the affected crossings might need to be separated by an overpass or underpass from the grade of the railroad tracks. Following up on that suggestion, Union Pacific came to the County and the Cities and entered into the Grade Separation Agreement that was the eventual result of those discussions. The County and the Cities are satisfied that this Agreement serves their best interests regarding the selection and funding of grade separations. The County and the Cities are very grateful to the Commission for the role it played in bringing about that result.

The City of Casa Grande wants the Commission to know that it fully supports Union Pacific's project to construct a second mainline railroad track through Pinal County and the State of Arizona, known as "Union Pacific's Double-Track Project." As part of their support for Union Pacific's Project, the City of Casa Grande is asking the Arizona Corporation Commission to approve the specified application filed by Union Pacific for authority to install a second mainline railroad track at grade at the crossing(s) being considered in this case.

Sincerely,

Robert Jackson  
Mayor

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cc: City Council  
Terry Sims, UPRR Counsel

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