Douglas F. Strehl 1436 Weber St. Fortuna. CA 95540

May 3, 2013

Mayor City Selection Committee 611 | St. Suite B Eureka, Ca 95501

Mayor Frank Jäger:

I would like to be considered for the position of Humboldt County representative on the North Coast Authority Board of Directors. As a business owner for over thirty years and my involvement with city government for the past fourteen years I realize the advantages having rail transportation.

- The rail would open more doors for industry expansion and acquisition to our county.
- I've been an advocate of repairing the rail system to the south and interest in researching the ability to build an east west line to create a loop instead of a spur.
- Having the rail would enhance Humboldt Bay's opportunity to become a needed port for import and export of goods and products for the western United States.

I have a compassion for the future of Fortuna and Humboldt County, and feel that our future must be secured by strong industry. The rail would be one of the key factors in strengthening this process.

Please consider me for this opening.

Sincerely:

Douglas F Strehl

Mayor of the City of Fortuna

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May 6, 2013

Dear City Selection Committee:

As a member of the Arcata City Council, I am interested in filling the seat on the Northwest Railroad Authority Board as the Humboldt County representative.

I have been a long time member of Humboldt County and remember the days the railroad passed through Arcata. I come from a family interested in railroads whatever their size.

My father created the McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park in Scottsdale, Arizona. His railroad duplicated existing lines at ¼ of the scale and saved the Depot from demolition by moving it to the train park. The City of Scottsdale turned into the offices, ticket area, meeting space and a gift shop.

I served on the Arcata City Council from 1972-1980 and am currently serving 2006-2016. I have a deep interest in historic preservation and redevelopment. For many years I have invested resources and innovative development into this community. I am problem solver.

I have the time to travel to meetings.

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I appreciate your consideration in appointing me to this board to represent Humboldt County.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Alexandra Stillman Arcata City Council Member RECEIVED
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