

November 13, 2015

<u>VIA E-MAIL</u> Mr. Nathan Delack Delack Media Group Email: <u>nathan@delackmediagroup.com</u>

RE: 15-FOIA-236 Video/Audio - UPNW #624 11/10/15

Dear Mr. Delack:

We are in receipt of your request under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.* "(FOIA").

On November 10, 2015, we received your request for: 1) Video footage obtained from the dashboard mounted video camera in the UPNW line train #624 on 11/10/15 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. CST; and 2) Audio recordings of all two-way traffic between the UPNW line train #624's conductor and control tower for the same date and time period ("**Request**").

After performing a diligent search of Metra's records, we have been unable to locate any records responsive to your request. The Union Pacific Northwest train line referenced in your Request is owned and operated by the Union Pacific Railroad ("**UP**"). We contacted the UP to inquire if they would release the requested records to us. In their response, they stated that the requested records were non-public records and therefore, not subject to production under the Purchase of Service Agreement between the UP and Metra, or the FOIA.

If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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