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Mr. Hal Riegger  
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Dear Mr. Riegger:

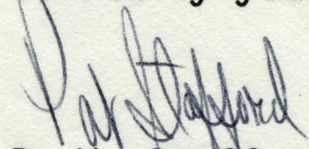
This responds to your quest for information and photos on the Camas Prairie and the Spokane International railroads.

First, all questions concerning the SI should be directed to the Union Pacific which owns the line, having purchased it from the Canadian Pacific. Great Northern never held ownership in the line.

All the information I have on the Camas Prairie Railroad is enclosed. It was contained in the Northern Pacific valuation report to the ICC in 1917.

Knowing as little as I do about the Camas Prairie road, I carried your request to an employee who had spent part of his career here working on joint facility accounts. He said the Camas Prairie always has been an unusual road in that it owns no locomotives or cars. It has a few trucks and some maintenance of way equipment. It basically is an operating company for the UP and BN. My informant also said that your best sources of data and, possibly, photographs, are two retired Camas Prairie auditors residing in Lewiston, Idaho. They are Ron Jones, who retired some years ago and Vern Jackson, a recent retiree. You might be able to contact them through Mr. J. H. Harwood, Camas Prairie Railroad, P. O. Box 1166, Lewiston, Idaho 83501.

Cordially yours,

  
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