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Mr. R.E.A. Duffy, VP Public Relations
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Dear Mr. Duffy,

Can you help me out on some research?

I am working on ~~teas~~books, the Camas Prairie Railroad and the Spokane International Railroad and wish to locate as much material on both of these as possible, historic and current. As I understand it, Burlington Northern now shares stewardship with Union Pacific of the Camas Prairie Railroad, and in the past Great Northern was involved with the Spokane International although at present it is under the hood of the Union Pacific.

It would help me if you could advise if the Burlington Northern maintains archives in which might reside information and/or photographs concerning these two railroads, or of activities of industries associated with the railroads or which they served; and if such material could be made available to me for research.

Likewise it would help if you knew of other sources where information and photographs might be obtained.

I have just recently had a book, "The Kettle Valley and Its Railways" published by Pacific Fast Mail in Edmonds, Wn. and it is being well received. Earlier I have had three books on pottery published by vanNostrand-Reinhold Co. which also have been well liked. I mention these as indicating my qualifications for the above undertaking.

I realize this will put you to some trouble, nevertheless it will be of help and I will appreciate anything you can contribute.

Sincerely,