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Mr. Hal Riegger 11009 Spenceville Road Penn Valley, CA 95946 February 22, 1984

Dear Mr. Riegger:

Enclosed are the specific track laying dates and mileages you requested in your recent letter.

With regard to why the NP laid tracks to Genesee, I don't have the answer nor does Bill McKenzie, who worked in the public relations department of the Northern Pacific in his early railroad career. Bill retired from this department several years ago.

What seemed a compelling reason for constructing a segment of railroad is sometimes difficult to understand 85 years later. Sorry, but I just don't have a satisfactory answer for you.

cordially yours,

Patrick W. Stafford