



May 23, 2019

VIA E-MAIL

Ms. Amber Parker
[REDACTED]

RE: 19-FOIA-131 Mark Rittenhouse Incident 9/26/1986

Dear Ms. Parker:

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

On May 9, 2019, we received your request for any and all documentation of an incident reporting the pedestrian train fatality of [REDACTED] on September 26, 1986. You noted that this incident was ruled a suicide and involved the conductor as a possible witness. The location at which the impact took place was at or near the Ravenswood Station (“**Request**”).

After performing a diligent search of Metra’s records, we have been unable to locate any records responsive to your Request. Metra’s Police Department advised it had searched through its long-term storage and was unable to locate your requested record. Additionally, the train line operating in the area of Ravenswood during the timeframe of your Request was then known as the Chicago North-Western Railroad line. This railroad line was eventually purchased by the Union Pacific Railroad (“**UP**”).

We contacted the UP to inquire if it would possibly possess your record. The UP responded stating it does not honor FOIA requests; however, the UP did provide the name of a contact person working in its Risk Management Department that you may wish to contact regarding your Request for records: Ida Finnegan, 312-777-2023.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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