

## UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD POLICE

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April 21, 2009

Estela Quintanilla  
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— Ms Quintanilla, I send this letter to express our gratitude and appreciation for your LISD Crime Stoppers program. As you are aware, in the early morning hours of March 17, 2009 we became aware of a fire set inside the cab of one of our locomotives. A canvas of the area failed to produce any witnesses or possible suspects.

In our effort to further our investigation, we reached out to both Webb County Crime Stoppers and the Laredo Independent School District Crime Stoppers. Because of the proximity of LISD's Christen Middle and Martin High school, we thought we might generate some interest by posting bulletins utilizing your program. IT WORKED!

With information generated through your program, we were able to identify the four juvenile offenders involved in the vandalism act that resulted in damages to our locomotive totaling more than \$280,000.00. During the course of the interviews, we also learned that the same individuals were responsible for setting a house fire in the 1900 blk of Callaghan street. The four individuals are all current students at Christen Middle school. They were picked up and placed in the Webb County Juvenile Detention facility on April 20, 2009.

Again, we thank you for your assistance and compliment you and the LISD Crime Stoppers program. Should we ever be in a position to help you or the LISD Crime Stoppers program, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely yours,

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April 10, 2009

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— Ms Quintanilla, I send this letter to express our gratitude and appreciation for your LISD Crime Stoppers program. As you are aware, on April 8, 2009 you made us aware of LISD student possibly in the possession of Union Pacific RR road flares and flagging kits.

An investigation was conducted that resulted in the recovery of 25 flares and 4 RR flag kit containers. With your information and the cooperation of the student's parents, we were able to remedy this incident with a win-win solution. The flares were recovered before they could be used in any acts of vandalism.

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