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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20423

RE: Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 1X), *New York Central Lines, LLC—
Abandonment Exemption—in Middlesex County, MA*

Dear Ms. Brown:

CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”), the successor by merger to New York Central Lines, LLC, agrees to the request from The Town of Sudbury filed on January 19, 2014, requesting an extension until October 16, 2014, to negotiate interim trail use/rail banking over a 1.40-mile portion of the line proposed for abandonment in the above-entitled proceeding between milepost QBS 3.40, at Framingham, MA, and milepost QBS 4.80, at the intersection of the former Penn Central Transportation Company line (“Northern Section”). CSXT has not consummated the abandonment.

The Northern Section runs south 1.4 miles south from the end of the Line. The remaining 3.4 miles of the Line, the Southern Section, connects the Northern Section to the national rail transportation system. In a decision served on May 26, 2006, in this proceeding, the extension for filing the notice of consummation was deemed to cover the entire 4.8-mile line because an NITU on the Northern Section would be a legal or regulatory barrier to consummation of the abandonment of the Southern Section. See 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29(e)(2).

CSXT respectfully requests the Surface Transportation Board to grant Sudbury’s extension request for the 1.40-mile line between milepost QBS 3.40 and milepost QBS 4.80 and allow the period for negotiations to run until October 16, 2014. CSXT understands that the consummation date would then be extended to December 15, 2014 pursuant to 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2). CSXT also requests that the Board reaffirm the holding in the May 26, 2006 decision that the extension of the consummation date “is deemed to cover the 4.80-mile line.”

CSXT is efileing this letter. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Sincerely yours



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