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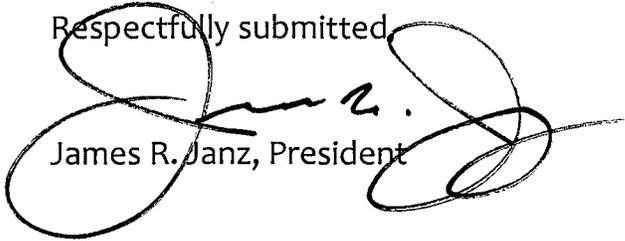
Re: California High-Speed Rail Authority's Petition for Exemption of Fresno to Bakersfield HST Section. (STB Finance Docket No. 35724 (Sub-No. 1))

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter joins in the request of Michael E. Lasalle, filed in this matter on December 9, 2013, that the Board (1) extend the time beyond December 24, 2013 within which interested parties may respond to California High Speed Rail Authority's Petition for Exemption of its Fresno to Bakersfield HST Section, and (2) order the Authority to provide reasonable notice of this proceeding and any filing deadlines to all landowners in its proposed Fresno to Bakersfield alignments, as well as to all those who filed replies and opposition papers in FD 35724-0. We incorporate by reference the arguments made by Mr. Lasalle for such requests.

Community Coalition on High-Speed Rail ("CC-HSR"), a grass-roots non-profit citizens organization that works through public advocacy, litigation, and political action to make sure the proposed California High Speed Rail project complies with applicable laws and doesn't adversely affect the economy, environment, or quality of life of California's existing communities.

Respectfully submitted,


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