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Chief, Section of Administration
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Re: Missouri Central Railroad Company – Abandonment Exemption – Cass, Pettis, Benton, Morgan, Miller, Cole, Osage, Maries, Gasconade, and Franklin Counties, Missouri, STB Docket AB-1068 (Sub-No. 3X) and Central Midland Railway Company – Discontinuance of Service and Operating Rights Exemption – Cass, Pettis, Benton, Morgan, Miller, Cole, Osage, Maries, Gasconade, and Franklin Counties, Missouri, STB Docket AB-1070 (Sub-No. 3X)

Dear Ms. Brown:

The Missouri Central Railroad Company (“MCRR”) and the Central Midland Railway Company (“CMR”) hereby file their Joint Notice of Exemption in the above-captioned proceeding. Please note there is a **color map** in Exhibits 3 and 4.

In addition, the filing fee of \$7,600.00 to cover the filing fees for both dockets has already been submitted by credit card to the Surface Transportation Board.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Yours very truly,



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**BEFORE THE
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Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 3X)

**MISSOURI CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY
- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION -
IN CASS, PETTIS, BENTON, MORGAN, MILLER, COLE, OSAGE, MARIES,
GASCONADE, AND FRANKLIN COUNTIES, MISSOURI**

Docket No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 3X)

**CENTRAL MIDLAND RAILWAY COMPANY
- DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE AND OPERATING RIGHTS EXEMPTION -
IN CASS, PETTIS, BENTON, MORGAN, MILLER, COLE, OSAGE, MARIES,
GASCONADE, AND FRANKLIN COUNTIES, MISSOURI**

VERIFIED NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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**Representative of Central Midland Railway
Company**

Dated: November 18, 2014

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VERIFIED NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

The Missouri Central Railroad Company (“MCRR”) and Central Midland Railway Company (“CMR”) (collectively “Railroads”) submit this joint verified Notice of Exemption pursuant to 49 USC § 10502 and 49 CFR § 1152.50 for the abandonment and discontinuance of approximately 144.3 miles of rail line in two segments. The first short segment covers the railroad line between mileposts 263.5 and 262.906 (near Pleasant Hill) in Cass County, Missouri. The second segment covers the railroad line between milepost 215.325 (near Windsor) in Pettis County, Missouri and milepost 71.6 (near Beaufort) in Franklin County, Missouri. The two segments will be hereafter termed the “Line” unless specifically noted otherwise. MCRR proposes to abandon the Line, and CMR proposes to discontinue service and operating rights under its lease for the Line.

In support of the Notice, MCRR and CMR respectfully provide the following information to the Surface Transportation Board (“Board” or “STB”):

I. Proposed consummation date for the abandonment.

The Railroads propose to consummate the abandonment and discontinuance of the Line on or after January 7, 2015 (at least 50 days after the filing of this Notice of Exemption).

II. Certification required by 49 CFR § 1152.50(b).

As the attached certifications by MCRR President Robert Neff and CMR CEO Lon Van Gemert confirm, no traffic has originated, terminated, or moved overhead on the Line for at least two years, and no complaint is pending with the Board or a U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of a complainant concerning cessation of service over the Line within the last two years. See Exhibits No. 1 and 2.

III. Information required by 49 CFR § 1152.50(d)(2): 49 CFR § 1152.22(a)(1-4), (7), (8), and (e)(4).

(a) General.

(1) Exact name of the Applicants. Missouri Central Railroad Company (“MCRR”) and Central Midland Railway Company (“CMR”).

(2) Common carriers. Both Applicants are common carriers by railroad subject to 49 USC Subtitle IV, Chapter 105.

(3) Relief sought. MCRR and CMR seek an exemption from Surface Transportation Board approval authorizing the abandonment and discontinuance of service of the Line in two segments. The first segment extends from milepost 263.5 (near Pleasant Hill in Cass County, Missouri) to milepost 262.906 (near Pleasant Hill in Cass County, Missouri). The second segment extends from milepost 215.325 (near Windsor in Pettis County,

Missouri) to milepost 71.6 (near Beaufort in Franklin County, Missouri). The Line crosses portions of Cass, Pettis, Benton, Morgan, Miller, Cole, Osage, Maries, Gasconade, and Franklin Counties, Missouri. MCRR proposes to abandon the Line, and CMR proposes to discontinue service and operating rights under a lease.

(4) Map. A detailed map of the Line and the surrounding area is attached as Exhibit No. 3.

(7) Representatives. The representatives to whom correspondence should be sent:

<p><u>for MCRR:</u> Sandra L. Brown Thompson Hine LLP 1919 M St. NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20036</p> <p><i>Attorney for Missouri Central Railroad Company</i></p>	<p><u>for CMR:</u> Lon Van Gemert, Chief Executive Officer Central Midland Railway c/o Progressive Rail Incorporated 21778 Highview Avenue Lakeville, MN 55044.</p>
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(8) Zip codes. The Line traverses United States Postal Service ZIP Code 64080 in Cass County; ZIP Code 65360 in Pettis County; ZIP Codes 65360, 65335, and 65325 in Benton County; ZIP Codes 65078, 65084, 65011, and 65026 in Morgan County; ZIP Codes 65026, 65032, 65040, 65075, and 65058 in Miller County; ZIP Codes 65032 and 65040 in Cole County; ZIP Codes 65058, 65085, 65048, 65001, 65035, 65013, and 65014 in Osage County; ZIP Code 65013 in Maries County; ZIP Codes 65014, 65066, 63091, and 63037 in Gasconade County; and ZIP Codes 63037, 63056, and 63013 in Franklin County. All of these zip codes are in Missouri.

(e)(4) Rural and community impact. The right of way may be suitable for use for other public purposes such as trail use. The Railroads understand that a request for Notice of Interim Trail Use (“NITU”) will be filed by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (“MDNR”) for the Line. MCRR is willing to negotiate with MDNR under the

NITU for rails-to-trails conversion. MCRR is not aware of any restriction on the title to the property that would affect the transfer of title or other public uses of the property but MCRR will provide all title information in its possession promptly if it receives a proposal to acquire the property for public purposes. Based upon information in MCRR's possession, the Line does not contain any federally granted rights-of-way.

IV. Level of Labor Protection.

Since the Line has been out of service for over two years, the Railroads believe no employees will be adversely affected. However, the Railroads will accept the imposition of standard labor protective conditions discussed in Oregon Short Line Railroad Co. – Abandonment- Goshen, 360 ICC 91 (1979).

V. Certification that the notice requirements of 49 CFR §§ 1152.50(d)(1), 1105.7, 1105.8, 1105.11, and 1105.12 have been met.

The attached Certification of Service and Publication certifies compliance with the notice requirements in 49 CFR §§ 1152.50(d)(1), 1105.7, 1105.8, 1105.11, and 1105.12. The Certification incorporates by reference the following Exhibits:

Exhibit No. 4 is a copy of the 10-day notice letter required pursuant to 49 CFR § 1152.50(d)(1). Attached as Exhibit No. 5 is a copy of the transmittal letter that accompanied the combined environmental and historic report (“EHR”) required by 49 CFR § 1105.7 and 49 CFR § 1105.8 and delivered in accordance with 49 CFR § 1105.11. The original EHR was filed with the Board on October 28, 2014. Attached as Exhibits Nos. 6-15 are the affidavits of publication certifying the publication of the newspaper notices required by 49 CFR § 1105.12.

For the foregoing reasons, MCRR and CMR state that the proposed abandonment and discontinuance of service and operating rights under a lease over the subject Line is exempt from the prior approval requirements of 49 USC § 10903 pursuant to the class exemption set forth in 49 CFR § 1152.50, and they request that the Board serve the appropriate notice of exemption.

Respectfully submitted,



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November 18, 2014

CERTIFICATES OF SERVICE AND PUBLICATION

Required by 49 CFR § 1152.50(d)(1)

The undersigned hereby certifies that on November 6, 2014 (at least 10 days prior to filing this Notice of Exemption), written notice was provided to the following entities regarding the intent to use the Notice of Exemption procedures to abandon and discontinue service of the rail line in two segments. The first segment extends from milepost 263.5 (near Pleasant Hill in Cass County, Missouri) to milepost 262.906 (near Pleasant Hill in Cass County, Missouri). The second segment extends from milepost 215.325 (near Windsor in Pettis County, Missouri) to milepost 71.6 (near Beaufort in Franklin County, Missouri). A copy of the notice is attached as Exhibit No. 4.

Public Service Commission
Governor Office Building
200 Madison Street
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Recreation Resources Assistance Division
National Park Service
1201 Eye Street NW, 9th floor
Washington, DC 20005

Chief Tom Tidwell
United States Forest Service
Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20250

Railroads for National Defense Program
Surface Deployment and Distribution Command
Transportation Engineering Agency
Department of Defense
1 Soldier Way
Scott AFB, IL 62225

Required by 49 CFR §§ 1105.7(b) and 1105.8(c)

The undersigned hereby certifies that on October 28, 2014 a copy of the Combined Environmental and Historic Report was served on the entities listed below. A copy of the transmittal letter is attached at Exhibit No. 5.

State Clearinghouse (or alternate):

Sara VanderFeltz
Federal Assistance Clearinghouse
Office of Administration
State Capitol Building, Room 125
201 West Capitol Avenue
Jefferson City, MO 65101

National Geodetic Survey:

NGS Information Services
NOAA, N/NGS12
National Geodetic Survey
SSMC-3, #9202
1315 East-West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3282

Head of County (Planning):

Cass County Commissioners
102 East Wall Street
Harrisonville, MO 64701

State Environmental Protection

Agency:

Department of Natural Resources
1659 E. Elm Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Pettis County Commissioners
415 South Ohio Avenue, Suite 212
Pettis County Courthouse
Sedalia, Missouri 65301

Benton County Commissioners
316 Van Buren Street
Warsaw, MO 65355

Morgan County Commissioners
Morgan County Courthouse
100 East Newton
Versailles, MO 65084

Miller County Commissioners
2001 Highway 52
Tuscumbia, MO 65082

Cole County Commissioners
311 East High Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Osage County Commissioners
205 Main Street
Linn, MO 65051

Maries County Commissioners
211 Fourth Street
Vienna, MO 65582

Gasconade County Commissioners
119 East 1st Street, Suite 2
Hermann, MO 65041

Franklin County Commissioners
400 East Locust
Union, MO 63084

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:
Department of the Army
Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District
601 East 12th Street
Kansas City, MO 64106

National Park Service:
Midwest Regional Office
National Park Service
601 Riverfront Drive
Omaha, NE 68102

**U.S. Natural Resources
Conservation Service:**
State Conservationist
USDA, Natural Resources
Conservation Service
Missouri State Office
Parkade Center, Suite 250
601 Business Loop 70 West
Columbia, MO 65203-2546

State Historic Preservation Office:
Mr. Bill Bryan
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Historic Preservation Office
Department of Natural Resources
1659 E. Elm Street
Jefferson City, MO 65109

**Environmental Protection Agency
(regional office):**
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 7
11201 Renner Blvd.
Lenexa, KS 66219

**State Coastal Zone Management
Agency (if applicable):**
Not applicable.

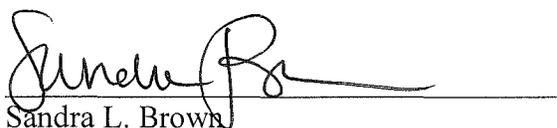
U.S. Fish and Wildlife:
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Region 3
Suite 990
5600 American Blvd. West
Bloomington, MN 55437-1458

Required by 49 CFR § 1105.12

The undersigned hereby certifies that a "Notice of Intent to Abandon or Discontinue Rail Service" was published in the form prescribed by the Board's regulations at the appendix to 49 CFR § 1105.12 for a Notice of Exemption. The Notice of Intent was published one time in a major newspaper in each county in which the Line is located, as described below. A copy of the newspaper Notice of Intent and the respective Affidavits of Publication are attached at Exhibit Nos. 6-15.

county	newspaper	publish date
Cass	Cass County Democrat-Missourian (Ex. 6)	October 24, 2014
Pettis	Sedalia Democrat (Ex. 7)	October 22, 2014
Benton	Benton County Enterprise (Ex. 8)	October 23, 2014
Morgan	Versailles Leader-Statesman (Ex. 9)	October 23, 2014
Miller	Miller County Autogram-Sentinel (Ex. 10)	October 23, 2014
Cole	The News Tribune (Jefferson City, MO) (Ex. 11)	October 20, 2014
Osage	The Unterrified Democrat (Linn, MO) (Ex. 12)	October 22, 2014
Maries	Maries County Gazette (Ex. 13)	October 29, 2014
Gasconade	Hermann Advertiser Courier (Ex. 14)	October 22, 2014
Franklin	The Missourian (Washington, MO) (Ex. 15)	October 22, 2014

November 18, 2014



Sandra L. Brown

Attorney for Missouri Central Railroad Company

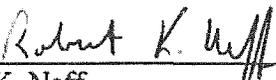
EXHIBIT 1

CERTIFICATION AND VERIFICATION
REQUIRED BY 49 CFR § 1152.50(b)

I, Robert K. Neff, am President of Missouri Central Railroad Company, which is filing a Notice of Exemption to abandon two segments of a rail line. The first segment extends from milepost 263.5 (near Pleasant Hill in Cass County, Missouri) to milepost 262.906 (near Pleasant Hill in Cass County, Missouri). The second segment extends from milepost 215.325 (near Windsor in Pettis County, Missouri) to milepost 71.6 (near Beaufort in Franklin County, Missouri).

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that no local traffic has moved over the line for at least two years; that no overhead traffic has moved over the line for at least two years and that overhead traffic, if there were any, could be rerouted over other lines; and that no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the line (or a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the line is pending before the Surface Transportation Board or any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of the complainant within the two-year period.

Further, I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the foregoing Notice of Exemption in STB Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 3X) and that its assertions are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this Notice of Exemption.



Robert K. Neff

Dated: 11/17/14

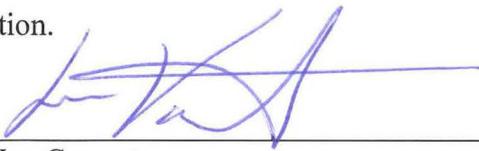
EXHIBIT 2

CERTIFICATION AND VERIFICATION
REQUIRED BY 49 CFR § 1152.50(b)

I, Lon Van Gemert, am the Chief Executive Officer for the Central Midland Railway, which is filing a Notice of Exemption to discontinue its service and operating rights on two segments of a rail line. The first segment extends from milepost 263.5 (near Pleasant Hill in Cass County, Missouri) to milepost 262.906 (near Pleasant Hill in Cass County, Missouri). The second segment extends from milepost 215.325 (near Windsor in Pettis County, Missouri) to milepost 71.6 (near Beaufort in Franklin County, Missouri).

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Further, I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the foregoing Notice of Exemption in STB Docket No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 3X) and that its assertions are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I certify that I am qualified and authorized to file this Notice of Exemption.



Lon Van Gemert

Dated: 11/17/14

EXHIBIT 3

Missouri Central Railroad Company

STB Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 3X)

STB Docket No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 3X)

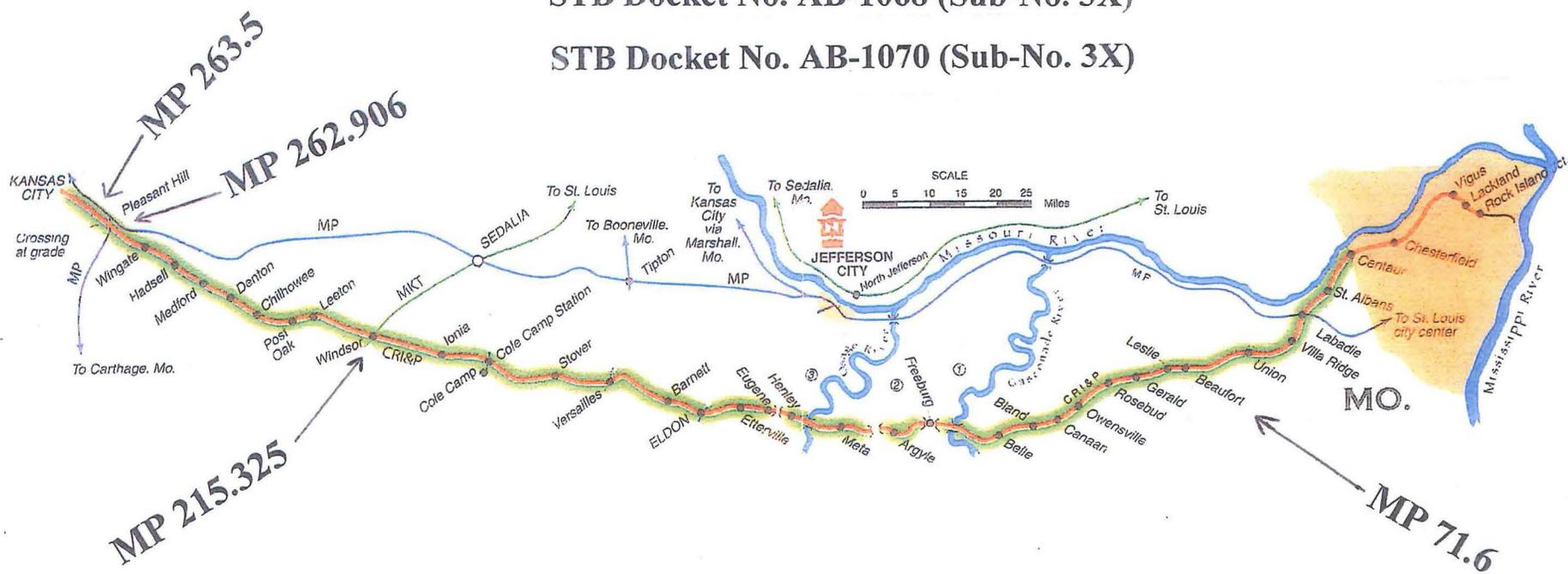


EXHIBIT 4

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Via Federal Express

Public Service Commission
Governor Office Building
200 Madison Street, P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Recreation Resources Assistance Division
National Park Service
1201 Eye Street NW, 9th floor
Washington, DC 20005

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Re: Missouri Central Railroad Company – Abandonment Exemption – in Cass, Pettis, Benton, Morgan, Miller, Cole, Osage, Maries, Gasconade, and Franklin Counties, Missouri, STB Docket AB-1068 (Sub-No. 3X) and Central Midland Railway Company – Discontinuance of Service and Operating Rights Exemption – in Cass, Pettis, Benton, Morgan, Miller, Cole, Osage, Maries, Gasconade, and Franklin Counties, Missouri, STB Docket AB-1070 (Sub-No. 3X)

To Whom It May Concern:

The Missouri Central Railroad Company (“MCRR”) and Central Midland Railway Company (“CMRC”) give notice that on or about November 18, 2014, they intend to file with the Surface Transportation Board (“STB”), 395 E St. SW, Washington, DC 20423, notices of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 (Subpart F—Exempt Abandonments) permitting MCRR to abandon and discontinue service, and CMRC to discontinue service and operating rights, over approximately 144.3 miles of railroad line in two segments. The first short segment covers the railroad line between mileposts 263.5 and 262.906 in Cass County, Missouri. The second segment covers the railroad line between milepost 215.325 in Pettis County, Missouri and milepost 71.6 in Franklin County, Missouri. Notice is being provided to you pursuant to 49 CFR § 1152.50(d)(1).

The rail line proposed for abandonment (the “Line”) is frequently described as part of the Rock Island Corridor. The Line crosses United States Postal Service ZIP Code 64080 in Cass County; ZIP Code 65360 in Pettis County; ZIP Codes 65360, 65335, and 65325 in Benton County; ZIP Codes 65078, 65084, 65011, and 65026 in Morgan County; ZIP Codes 65026, 65032, 65040, 65075, and 65058 in Miller County; ZIP Codes 65032 and 65040 in Cole County; ZIP Codes 65058, 65085, 65048, 65001, 65035, 65013, and 65014 in Osage County; ZIP Code 65013 in Maries County; ZIP Codes 65014, 65066, 63091, and 63037 in Gasconade County; and ZIP Codes 63037, 63056, and 63013 in Franklin County.

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The proceedings will be docketed as STB Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 3X) for MCRR and STB Docket No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 3X) for CMRC.

A map is attached. Based on information in our possession, the Line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in the railroad's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Yours very truly,



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enclosure (map)

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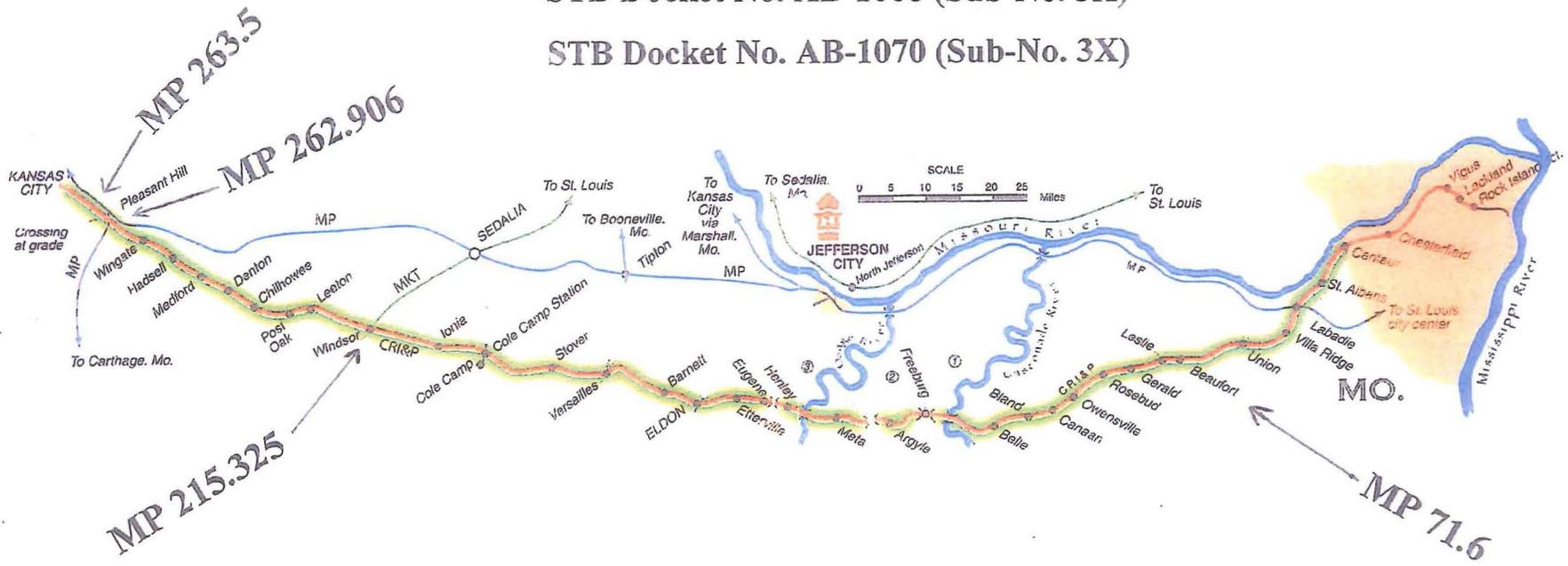


EXHIBIT 5

October 28, 2014

Surface Transportation Board
State Clearinghouse (or alternate)
State Environmental Protection Agency
Head of County (Planning)
Environmental Protection Agency
(regional office)
U.S. Fish and Wildlife

National Geodetic Survey
National Park Service
U.S. Natural Resources
Conservation Service
State Historic Preservation Office
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

**Re: Combined Environmental and Historic Report for the Proposed
Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service of 144.3 miles of Missouri
Central Railroad Company track in Cass, Pettis, Benton, Morgan, Miller,
Cole, Osage, Maries, Gasconade, and Franklin Counties, Missouri, STB
Docket AB-1068 (Sub-No. 3X) and STB Docket AB-1070 (Sub-No. 3X)**

To Whom It May Concern:

On November 18, 2014, the Missouri Central Railroad Company (“MCRR”) is planning to file a Notice of Exempt Abandonment with the Surface Transportation Board (“STB”) for approval to abandon approximately 144.3 miles of railroad in two segments in STB Docket No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 3X).¹ The first short segment covers the railroad line between mileposts 263.5 and 262.906 in Cass County, Missouri. The second segment covers the railroad line between milepost 215.325 in Pettis County, Missouri and milepost 71.6 in Franklin County, Missouri. The Central Midland Railway Company (“CMRC”) is planning to join in the filing with its Notice of Exemption to Discontinue service and operating rights over the same two segments (from MP 263.5 to 262.906, and from MP 215.325 to 71.6) in STB Docket No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 3X).

Enclosed is a Combined Environmental and Historic Report (“Report”) which describes the proposed actions and other pertinent environmental and historic information. A map of the impacted rail line is attached to the Report as Exhibit No. 1. A list of agencies receiving this Report can be found in the Service List at the end of the Report.

We are providing this Report so that you may review the information that will form the basis of the STB’s independent environmental and historical analysis of these proceedings. If you believe any of the information is misleading or incorrect, if you believe that pertinent information is missing, or if you have any questions about the STB’s environmental and historic review process, please contact their Office of Environmental Review (“OEA”), at the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street,

¹ The State of Missouri is interested in establishing a trail on the right-of-way, and MCRR is willing to negotiate rail-banking the line pursuant to the National Trails System Act at 16 USC § 1247(d). The trail would be a separate action by the State and would be an extension of a trail currently being developed on previously abandoned portions of the MCRR right-of-way between mileposts 262.906 and 215.325.

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S.W., Washington, D.C. 20423, telephone number (202) 245-0295, and refer to the above docket numbers.

Because the applicable statutes and regulations impose stringent deadlines for processing this action, your written comments to OEA (with a copy to the undersigned) would be appreciated within three (3) weeks. Your comments will be considered by the STB in evaluating the environmental and historic preservation impacts of the proposed abandonment and discontinuance of service.

If you have any other questions concerning this proposal, please contact me per the contact information below. Thank you for your assistance.

Yours very truly,



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Enclosure (Report)

EXHIBIT 6

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

CASS COUNTY PUBLISHING, publishers of
THE CASS COUNTY DEMOCRAT MISSOURIAN,
a newspaper published in the City of Harrisonville,
County of Cass, State of Missouri, confirms that a
notice and/or advertisement of

Thompson Hine LLP
1919 M Street, N.W., Ste 700
Washington, DC 20036-1600

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a true copy of which is hereto attached,
was duly published in the above said newspaper

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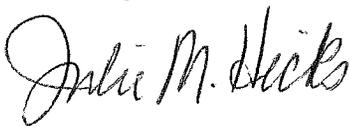
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Subscribed and sworn to before me,

This 10-24-14

I certify that I was duly qualified as a Notary
Public for the State of Missouri, commissioned
in Cass County, Missouri. My commission
expires June 12, 2017.


Julie M. Hicks, Notary



JULIE M. HICKS
My Commission Expires
June 12, 2017
Cass County
Commission #13727108

**NOTICE OF INTENT
TO ABANDON AND
TO DISCONTINUE
RAIL SERVICE AND
OPERATING RIGHTS**

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The proceedings will be docketed as No. AB-1068 (Sub-No. 3X) for MCRR and No. AB-1070 (Sub-No. 3X) for CMRC.

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EXHIBIT 7

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

(Space above for recording information)

STATE OF MISSOURI) ss.
COUNTY OF PETTIS)

I, J. Lynn Kidd, being duly sworn according to law, state that I am the Publisher of the Sedalia Democrat a daily newspaper of general circulation in the County of Pettis, State of Missouri, where located; which newspaper has been admitted to the Post Office as periodical class matter in the City of Sedalia, Missouri, the city of publication, which newspaper has been published regularly and consecutively for a period of three years and has a list of bona fide subscribers, voluntarily engaged as such who have paid or agreed to pay a stated price for a subscription for a definite period of time, and that such newspaper has complied with the provision of Section 493.050, Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000, and Section 59.310, Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000.

The affixed notice appeared in said newspaper for one time as follows:

1st Insertion: Vol.	<u>146</u>	No. <u>295</u>	<u>22nd</u> day of <u>October</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>14</u>
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Signed [Signature]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of October 20 14

[Signature]
Eddie E. Crouch, Notary Public

My commission expires 12-09-2017

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STATE OF MISSOURI
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EXHIBIT 8

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Date of Publication:
October 23, 2014.

EXHIBIT 9

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Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF MISSOURI }
COUNTY OF MORGAN }

I, Robin Fish, being duly sworn according to law, state that I am the editor of the Leader-Statesman, a weekly newspaper of general circulation in the county of Morgan where located; which has been admitted to the Post Office as periodicals matter in the City of Versailles, the city of publication; which newspaper has been published regularly and consecutively for a period of three years and has a list of bona fide subscribers voluntarily engaged as such who have paid or agreed to pay a stated price for a subscription for a definite period of time, and that such newspaper has complied with provisions of Sections 14,968 Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1939 (Laws for Missouri for 1943 page 859). The affixed notice appeared in said newspaper on the following consecutive weeks (issues).

From ----- Oct. 23 2014 to ----- Oct. 23 2014 -----
 First insertion ----- Oct. 23 2014 -----
 Second insertion ----- 20 -----
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SIGNED ----- Robin Fish -----
 Robin Fish, Editor

Subscribed and sworn to me this ----- 23rd ----- day of

----- Oct. 2014 -----
Barbara J Schnirch ----- Notary Public

Filed and Recorded this ----- day of ----- 20-----

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BARBARA J. SCHNIRCH
 Notary Public - Notary Seal
 STATE OF MISSOURI
 Morgan County
 My Commission Expires: June 25, 2018
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10-23-14 to 10-23-14

EXHIBIT 10

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
)SS
COUNTY OF MILLER,)

Rail Serv.

I, Trevor Vernon, of lawful age, being duly sworn according to law, say that I am the Publisher of The Advertiser, a weekly newspaper, published in Eldon, Miller County, Missouri; that the Notice, a true copy of which is hereunto attached, was published in said newspaper for 1 week successively and in the following numbers and on the following dates, to-wit.

Vol. 121, No. 33 the 23 day of Oct. 2014

Vol. _____, No. _____ the _____ day of _____

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That said newspaper is located in Miller County, Missouri, and is of general circulation therein, and has been admitted to the United States post office in Eldon, Mo., the city of publication, as second class matter; that the said newspaper has been published regularly, consecutively and continuously in said County for a period of three years and has a list of bona fide subscribers voluntarily engaged as such who have paid or agreed to pay a stated price for a subscription for a definite period of time, and that such newspaper has complied with the provisions of Section 14.968, on pages 3814 and 3815, Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1939.

[Signature] Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 32nd day of October 2014.

[Signature] Notary Public

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EXHIBIT 11

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI) ss.
 County of Cole)

I, Terri Leifeste, being duly sworn according to law, state that I am one of the publishers of the News Tribune, a daily newspaper of general circulation in the County of Cole, State of Missouri, where located; which newspaper has been admitted to the Post Office as periodical class matter in the City of Jefferson, Missouri, the city of publication; which newspaper has been published regularly and consecutively for a period of three years and has a list of bona fide subscribers, voluntarily engaged as such, who have paid or agreed to pay a stated price for a subscription for a definite period of time, and that such newspaper has complied with the provisions of Section 493.050, Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000, and Section 59.310, Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000. The affixed notice appeared in said newspaper on the following issues:

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By: *Terri Leifeste*
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Subscribed & sworn to before me this 21st day of October, 2014

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State of Missouri
County of Osage

I, Jerrilynn S. Voss, being duly sworn according to law, state that I am the publisher of the Unterrified Democrat, a weekly newspaper of general circulation in the county of Osage, where located; which has been admitted to the Post Office as second-class matter in the City of Linn, the city of publication; which newspaper has been published regularly and consecutively for a period of three years and has a list of bona fide subscribers voluntarily engaged as such who have paid or agreed to pay a stated price for a subscription for a definite period of time, and that such newspaper has complied with the provisions of Section 14,968 Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1939 (Laws of Missouri for 1943 page 859). The affixed notice appeared in said newspaper on the following consecutive weeks (issues).

From Oct. 22, 2014 to -----
First insertion Oct. 22, 2014
Second insertion _____
Third insertion _____
Fourth insertion _____
Fifth insertion _____

(Signed) Jerrilynn S. Voss
Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th
day of October, 2014

Notary Public Ralph F. Voss

Filed and Recorded this _____ day of _____

RALPH F. VOSS
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Commissioned for Osage County
My Commission Expires: July 02, 2018
Commission Number: 14434460

EXHIBIT 13

Maries County Gazette

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ABANDON AND TO DISCONTINUE RAIL SERVICE AND OPERATING RIGHTS

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(To be published in the Maries County Gazette October 29, 2014.)

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

State of Missouri
County of Maries

Personally appeared before the undersigned, a notary public within the State of Missouri, Kurt J. Lewis, publisher, Ron J. Lewis, editor, or Nichol Snodgrass, managing editor, of the *Maries County Gazette*, a legal newspaper published at Vienna, County of Maries, State of Missouri, who, being duly sworn, states on oath that the attached notice was published in said newspaper on Wednesday,

October 29, 2014.

Kurt J. Lewis

Kurt J. Lewis, Publisher
Ron J. Lewis, Editor or
Nichol Snodgrass, Managing Editor

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

3 day of November, 2014.

Christine Stockton

Notary Public

My commission expires June 12

2015

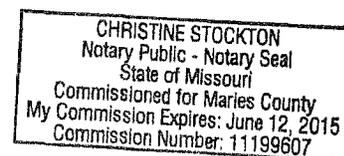


EXHIBIT 14

Affidavit of Publication
State of Missouri
County of Gasconade) ss

I, Buck Collier, being duly sworn according to law, state that I am the Editor of The Advertiser-Courier, a weekly newspaper of general circulation in the county of Gasconade where located; which newspaper has been admitted to the Post Office as second class matter in the City of Hermann, Missouri, the city of publication; which newspaper has been published regularly and consecutively for a period of three years and has a list of bona fide subscribers voluntarily engaged as such who have paid or agreed to pay a stated price for a subscription for a definite period of time, and that such newspaper has complied with the provision of Section 493.050, Revised Statutes of Missouri 1969. The affixed notice appeared in the said newspaper in the following consecutive issues.

1st Insertion Vol 142 No. 7, 22nd day of October 2014
2nd Insertion Vol ___ No. ___, ___ day of ___ 20___
3rd Insertion Vol ___ No. ___, ___ day of ___ 20___
4th Insertion Vol ___ No. ___, ___ day of ___ 20___
5th Insertion Vol ___ No. ___, ___ day of ___ 20___

(Signed) Buck Collier
Editor

Subscribed and sworn to me before me this 29 day of October 2014

Diana Eldringhoff Notary Public
My commission expires 7-8-18



DIANA ELDRINGHOFF
My Commission Expires
July 8, 2018
Montgomery County
Commission #14432237

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EXHIBIT 15

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Date: 10/22/14

(Space above for recording information)

STATE OF MISSOURI)
COUNTY OF Franklin) ss.

I, William L. Miller, being duly sworn according to law, state that I am the Publisher/Editor of The Washington Missourian, a weekly/daily newspaper of general circulation in the County of Franklin, State of Missouri, where located; which newspaper has been admitted to the Post Office as periodical class matter in the City of Washington, Missouri, the city of publication; which newspaper has been published regularly and consecutively for a period of three years and has a list of bona fide subscribers, voluntarily engaged as such who have paid or agreed to pay a stated price for a subscription for a definite period of time, and that such newspaper has complied with the provisions of Section 493.050, Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000, and Section 59.310, Revised Statutes of Missouri 2000. The affixed notice appeared in said newspaper in the following consecutive issues:

- 1st Insertion: Vol. 154 No. 64, 22 day of Oct 2014
- 2nd Insertion: Vol. _____ No. _____, _____ day of _____ 20____
- 3rd Insertion: Vol. _____ No. _____, _____ day of _____ 20____
- 4th Insertion: Vol. _____ No. _____, _____ day of _____ 20____

William L. Miller
William L. Miller, Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 22nd day of October, 2014.

Jeanine L. York
Notary Public



JEANINE L. YORK
My Commission Expires
October 14, 2015
Franklin County
Commission #12541766

PUBLIC NOTICE
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