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Via electronic mail

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Public Record

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

Dear Ms. Brown:

I am writing on behalf of The Town of Sudbury, Massachusetts (the "Town") to request a 180 -day extension of the deadline for negotiations with CSX Transportation, Inc., as successor by merger to New York Central Lines, LLC, ("CSXT"), regarding the Notice of Interim Trail Use in the above-captioned proceeding with respect to the 1.4-mile portion of line that extends north from the Framingham town line at MP QBS 3.40 to the intersection of the former Penn Central Transportation Company line at MP QBS 4.90. Pursuant to the October 27, 2011 decision (the "Decision") of the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board"), an agreement for interim trail use/rail banking was extended to April 27, 2012 ("Negotiating Deadline").

CSXT and the Town continue to seek agreement on the acquisition price regarding the NITU. The Town and CSX wish to continue to negotiate a Purchase & Sale Agreement. Currently, Sudbury is evaluating the benefits of contracting for an updated appraisal. Funding for all or a portion of the purchase was reauthorized by a vote at Sudbury's 2010 Annual Town Meeting.

The Town respectfully requests an extension of the Negotiating Deadline to October 24, 2012 (i.e. 180 calendar days from the Negotiating Deadline). CSXT has acknowledged that it concurs with this request and will file a letter of concurrence once it receives a copy of this letter.

In addition, the Town respectfully requests a waiver of the Board's filing fees in accordance with 49 CFR 1002.2(e)(1).

The Town is e-filing this letter. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Maureen G. Valente
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cc: Parties of Record

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