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**RE: Docket No. AB 449 (Sub-No. 3X) -
Request of Extension of Time for a Period of 180 Days
To enable Local Government Agency to Negotiate the
Acquisition of Line for Public Use**

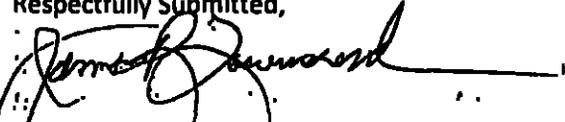
Dear Secretary,

This request is for an additional extension of time on behalf of Webster County, Kentucky. This extension request will allow Webster County time to continue negotiations with West Kentucky Railway for possession of abandoned property for public use.

Webster County is continuing to work with the Kentucky Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet concerning the West Kentucky Railway project and would like this additional 180 day extension to pursue the project further.

We anticipate action on this project soon and appreciate your patience. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at 270-639-5042.

Respectfully Submitted,


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Matt Sawyers, Deputy Secretary, Kentucky Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet