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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 633X)]

CSX Transportation, Inc.–Abandonment Exemption–in Genesee County, MI

On April 6, 2007, CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) filed with the Board a petition under 49 U.S.C. 10502 for exemption from the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 10903 to abandon a 1.78-mile line of railroad in its Northern Region, Chicago Division, Saginaw Subdivision, extending from Valuation Station 9195+50 to Valuation Station 9289+36, known as the Old Mainline in Atwood Yard, in the cities of Flint and Burton, in Genesee County, MI. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 48503 and 48529, and includes no stations.

In addition to an exemption from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. 10903, CSXT seeks exemption from 49 U.S.C. 10904 [offer of financial assistance (OFA) procedures]. In support, CSXT states that it intends to reclassify the track as excepted track and sell or lease it to Clean Harbors Environmental Services, formerly known as Safety Kleen Industries, the only shipper on the line. According to CSXT, the line is no longer needed for common carrier service, and the shipper wants to acquire a portion of the line to switch and store its cars within its facility without incurring a common carrier obligation. This request will be addressed in the final decision.

The line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in CSXT's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.

The interest of railroad employees will be protected by the conditions set forth in Oregon Short Line R. Co.–Abandonment–Goshen, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).

By issuing this notice, the Board is instituting an exemption proceeding pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502(b). A final decision will be issued by July 25, 2007.

Any OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(b)(2) will be due no later than 10 days after service of a decision granting the petition for exemption. Each OFA must be accompanied by a \$1,300 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25).

All interested persons should be aware that, following abandonment of rail service and salvage of the line, the line may be suitable for other public use, including interim trail use. Any request for a public use condition under 49 CFR 1152.28 or for trail use/rail banking under 49 CFR 1152.29 will be due no later than May 16, 2007. Each trail use request must be accompanied by a \$200 filing fee. See 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(27).

All filings in response to this notice must refer to STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 633X), and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001; and (2) Steven C. Armbrust, 500 Water Street – J150, Jacksonville, FL 32202. Replies to the petition are due on or before May 16, 2007.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Board's Office of Public Services at (202) 245-0230 or refer to the full abandonment or discontinuance regulations at 49 CFR part 1152. Questions concerning

environmental issues may be directed to the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) at (202) 245-0305. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.]

An environmental assessment (EA) (or environmental impact statement (EIS), if necessary) prepared by SEA will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its preparation. Other interested persons may contact SEA to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS). EAs in these abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 60 days of the filing of the petition. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA will generally be within 30 days of its service.

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Decided: April 20, 2007.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams

Secretary