



April 19, 2016

Ms. Cynthia Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Surface Transportation Board
Office of Proceedings
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: CSX Transportation, Inc. – Hamilton Beltline Abandonment in Butler County, Ohio, STB
Docket Number AB-55 (Sub-No. 734x) ID 235785

Dear Ms. Brown:

This request is filed on behalf of City of Hamilton, Ohio (Proponent) to request an extension of the deadline for negotiations with CSX Transportation, Inc. regarding the Notice of Interim Trail Use in the above-noted proceeding with respect to the rail line on the CSX Northern Region, Louisville Division, Indianapolis Subdivision between milepost BDA 0.0 and the end of its track at approximately milepost BDA 2.96 in Hamilton, Butler County, Ohio. The current negotiation period expires on May 15, 2016.

CSX Transportation, Inc. and the Proponent do not anticipate being able to consummate an agreement regarding the NITU prior to the expiration of the NITU deadline, but wish to continue negotiations. Accordingly, Proponent requests a 180-day extension of the NITU negotiation deadline to November 11, 2016. CSX Transportation, Inc. has verbally acknowledged that it will concur with this request, and is expected to file a letter of concurrence once a copy of this letter is filed with the Board.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Werdmann
Director of Human Resources
On Behalf of the City of Hamilton

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|  GRANTED | DECISION ID NO.: <u>45182</u> |
| | DECIDED DATE: <u>5/16/16</u> |
| Office of Proceedings | SERVICE DATE: <u>5/16/16</u> |
| | APPROVED: <u>Rachel Campbell</u> Director |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>extended to 11/8/16</u> <u>per railroad agreement</u> |

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