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Ms. Rachel D. Campbell  
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Re: Request for 180-day NITU Extension for Negotiations  
*Wiregrass Central Railway, LLC – Abandonment Exemption – In Coffee County, Alabama*; STB Docket Number AB-1077X

Dear Ms. Campbell:

This request is filed by the Alabama Trails Commission, a public entity, hereinafter referred to as the "proponent." The proponent remains engaged in discussions with Wiregrass Central Railway, LLC ("Wiregrass Railway") toward the desired outcome for all parties, which is an agreement regarding acquisition and trail use of the line by the proponent.

On February 22, 2012, the STB granted the proponent's request to impose interim trail use/rail banking to allow for negotiating the acquisition of the line for trail use expiring August 20, 2012, and again on February 16, 2013. The proponent hereby requests an additional 180-day period in which to continue negotiations with Wiregrass Railway. Wiregrass Railway is amenable to this extension and continued negotiations. Thank you for your consideration.

By my signature below, I certify service of a copy of this statement upon Wiregrass Railway by U S Mail, postage pre-paid, first class, this 13th day of February, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Byard, Jr.  
Director

on behalf of the Alabama Trails Commission

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 <b>GRANTED</b> Office of Proceedings	DECISION ID NO.: <u>42957</u>
	DECIDED DATE: <u>3/8/13</u>
	SERVICE DATE: <u>3/11/13</u>
	APPROVED: <u>Rachel D Campbell</u> Director
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>extended to 8/15/13</u>

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