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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

Docket No. AB-167 (Sub-No. 1094)A

CHELSEA PROPERTY OWNERS—ABANDONMENT—PORTION OF THE  
CONSOLIDATED RAIL CORPORATION'S WEST 30TH STREET SECONDARY  
TRACK IN NEW YORK, NY

Decided: August 22, 2003

By letter filed on August 20, 2003, Forty Plus Foundation and Manhattan Central Railway Systems, LLC (petitioners) request a 10-day extension, from August 26, 2003, to September 5, 2003, to file their brief on whether a certificate of interim trail use under 49 CFR 1152.29 may be issued in an adverse abandonment proceeding. In support of their request, petitioners cite the blackout that occurred on August 14, 2003, and affected the Northeastern United States and Canada for several days. Petitioners state that the blackout impeded their efforts to file a timely brief by disrupting their schedule for coordinating key participants and damaging their electronic files.

In the interest of a more complete record, petitioners' extension request will be granted.

It is ordered:

1. The deadline for petitioners to file their brief is extended to September 5, 2003.
2. This decision is effective on August 22, 2003.

By the Board, Vernon A. Williams, Secretary.

Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary