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Attachment 10

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U.S. EPA - Region 2
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Gentlemen:

Please be advised that CSX Transportation, Inc. is considering abandonment of a portion of its rail line near Watertown, Jefferson County, New York as depicted on the attached map.

This action requires Surface Transportation Board approval and Federal Regulations 49 C.F.R. 1105.7 (9) (i) and (iii) require that we develop a response to the following statements:

(i) "Based on consultation with State Water quality officials, state whether the proposed action is consistent with applicable Federal, State or local water quality standards. Describe any inconsistencies."

(iii) State whether permits under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act 33 U.S.C. 1342 are required for the proposed action."

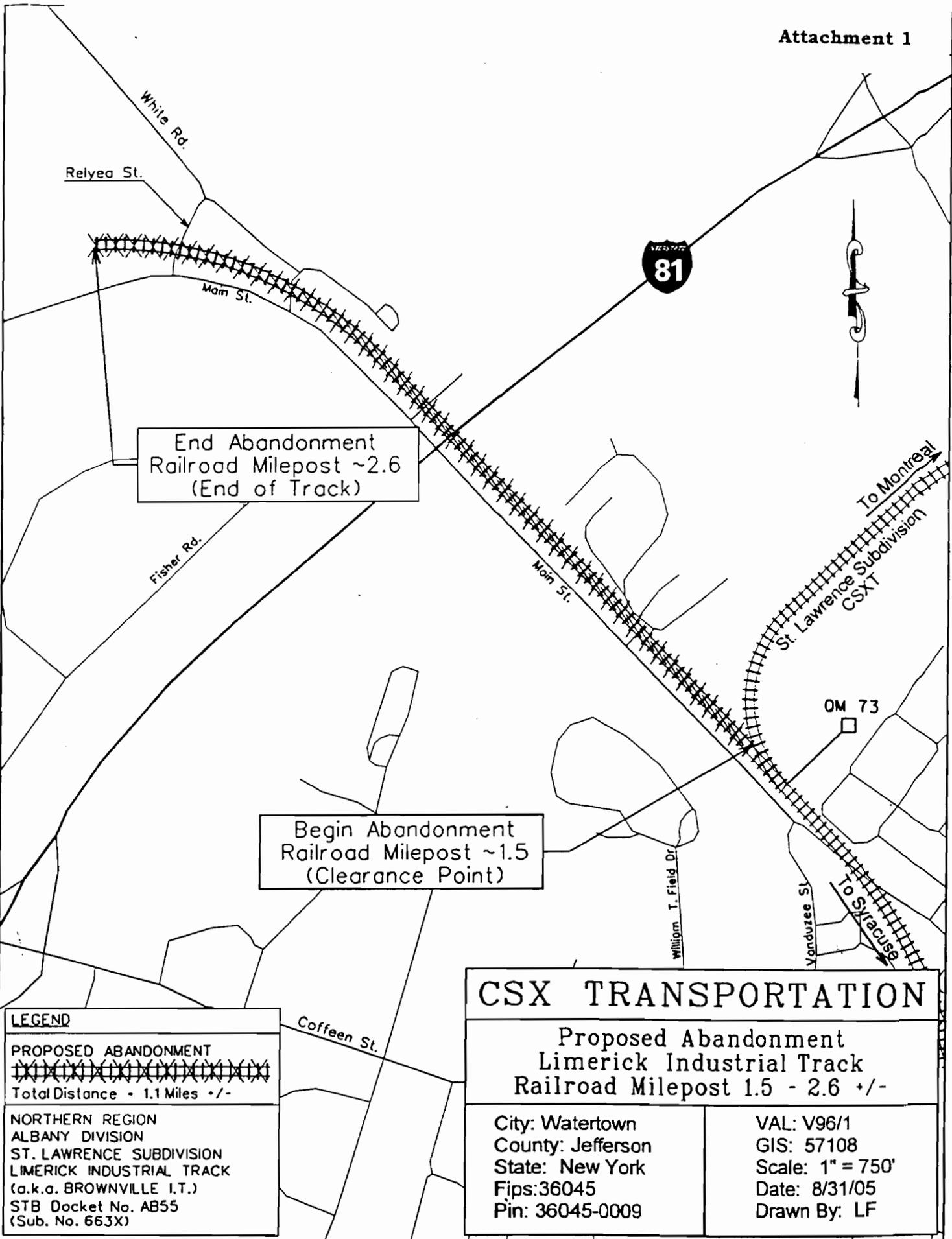
There are no refueling or maintenance areas within the project area. The removal of CSXT's rail material will be accomplished by use of the right of way for access, along with existing public and private crossings, and no new access roads are contemplated. We do not intend to disturb any of the underlying roadbeds and do not anticipate any dredging or use of fill in the removal of the track material. The crossties and/or other debris will be transported away from the rail line and will not be discarded along the right of way, nor be placed or left in streams or wetlands, or along the banks of such waterways. During track removal, appropriate measures will be implemented to prevent or control spills from fuels, lubricants or any other pollutant materials from entering any watercourses.

Based upon the above described actions, we would appreciate receiving your concurrence with CSXT's position that the proposed project is consistent with applicable Federal, State and local water quality standards, and that no permits under Section 402 are required at this time.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

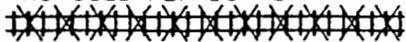
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End Abandonment
Railroad Milepost ~2.6
(End of Track)

Begin Abandonment
Railroad Milepost ~1.5
(Clearance Point)

LEGEND

PROPOSED ABANDONMENT

 Total Distance - 1.1 Miles +/-

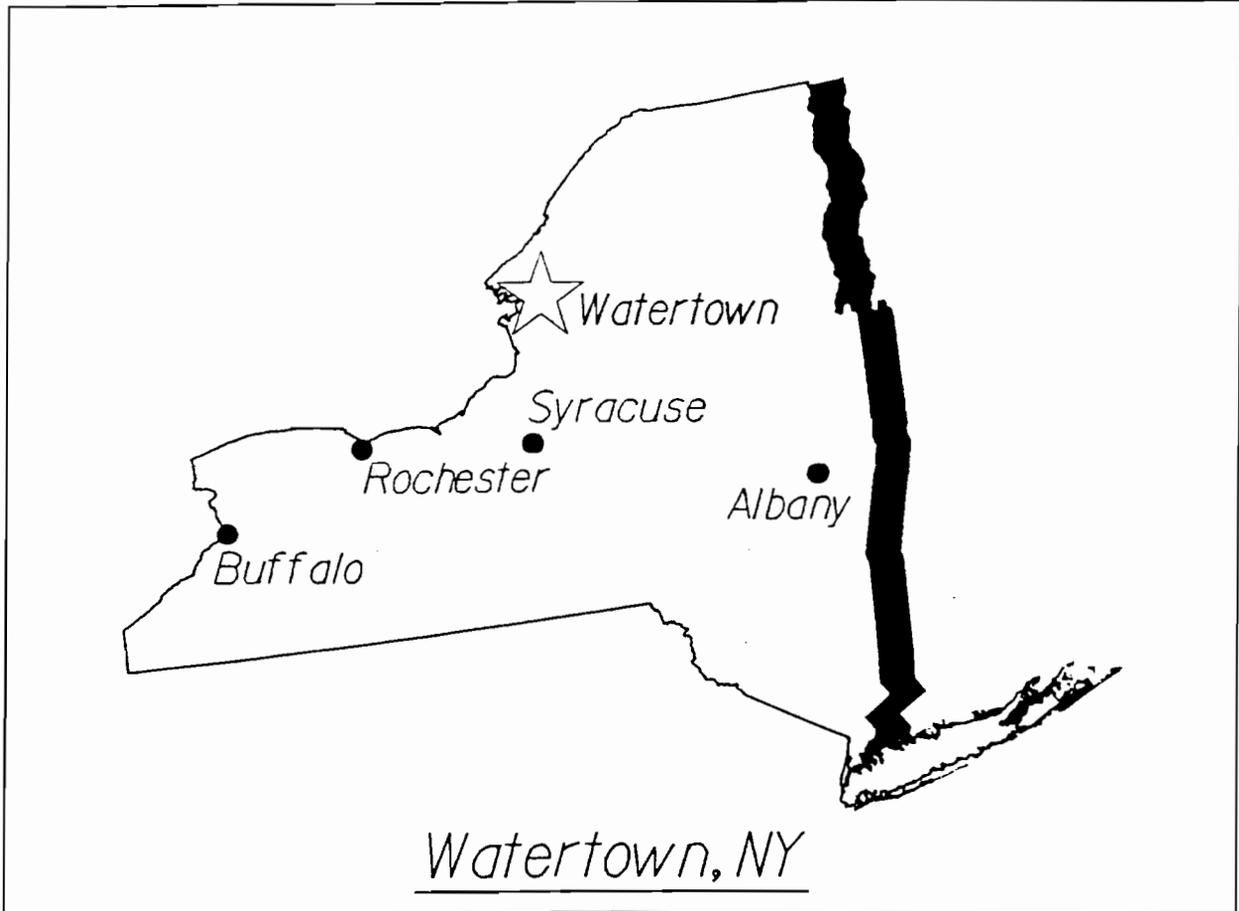
NORTHERN REGION
 ALBANY DIVISION
 ST. LAWRENCE SUBDIVISION
 LIMERICK INDUSTRIAL TRACK
 (a.k.a. BROWNVILLE I.T.)
 STB Docket No. AB55
 (Sub. No. 663X)

CSX TRANSPORTATION

Proposed Abandonment
 Limerick Industrial Track
 Railroad Milepost 1.5 - 2.6 +/-

City: Watertown
 County: Jefferson
 State: New York
 Fips: 36045
 Pin: 36045-0009

VAL: V96/1
 GIS: 57108
 Scale: 1" = 750'
 Date: 8/31/05
 Drawn By: LF



AREA MAP
Proposed Abandonment
1.1 Miles (5564 +/- Feet)
Watertown, Jefferson County, NY

NORTHERN REGION - ALBANY DIVISION - ST. LAWRENCE SUBDIVISION - LIMERICK IND. TRK.