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Surface Transportation Board
Section of Environmental Analysis
395 East Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: CSXT Abandonment
Delaware County, IN
STB Docket AB-55 (Sub-No. 679X)

Dear STB - SEA:

This refers to CSX Transportation's Notice of Exemption filed on June 8, 2007, requesting authority to abandon its rail line described above. Enclosed please find a copy of a letter dated June 28, 2007 (received July 24, 2007) from Mr. Shelton Poole, Chief of Environmental Compliance for the US Army Corps of Engineers - Louisville District stating *"It does not appear that a Department of the Army permit will be needed since no dredge or fill material is proposed to be placed in any waters of the United State (U.S.), including wetlands"*

Sincerely,

Attachments

Copy: Mr. Steven Armbrust, CSXT, 500 Water Street-J150, Jacksonville, FL, 32202



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June 28, 2007

MEMORANDUM FOR Mr. Geraci, Manager Network Rationalization

SUBJECT: CSX Transportation, Inc, Proposed Abandonment, Docket No. AB-55 (Sub No. 679X)

The USACE Louisville District does not have any comments on the general environmental impacts of the proposed project(s). CSX should be aware that RR ties often contain creosote (wood preservative), CCA and/or petroleum hydrocarbons (as TPH) which could present some industrial hygiene/handling concerns as well as waste disposal special requirements. Arsenic (constituent of CCA) and creosote are both suspect carcinogens, the removal of the RR ties require proper handling and disposal to minimize potential for exposure to the worker as well as consideration of any site soils removed which could contain some of these constituents.

This agency is not funded or authorized to provide general environmental assessments for all federally related development proposals. Our lack of additional comments on the specific potential environmental impacts should not be construed as concurrence that no significant environmental damage would result from the project.

It does not appear that a Department of the Army permit will be needed since no dredged or fill material is proposed to be placed in any "waters of the United States (U.S.)," including wetlands. However, if there are changes in the project that would necessitate the discharge of dredged or fill material into any "waters of the U.S.," including wetlands, plans should be submitted for our review.

Our comments on this project are limited to only those effects which may fall within our area of jurisdiction and thus does not obviate the need to obtain other permits from state or local agencies. Lack of comments on other environmental aspects should not be construed as either concurrence or nonoccurrence with stated environmental effects.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shelton M. Poole".

Shelton M. Poole, CHMM, RPIH
Chief, Environmental Compliance Section
Environmental Engineering Branch