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Natural Resources Conservation Service
101 South Main Street
Temple, TX 76501-7602

May 24, 2006

Ms. Catherine Glidden
Surface Transportation Board
Case Control Unit
Washington, DC 20423

Dear Ms. Glidden:

We have reviewed the Union Pacific Railroad Company's request for abandonment exemption in Smith County, Texas.

NRCS does not have any objection to this request. The project should not have a significant adverse impact on the environment or the natural resources in the area. We do not require any approvals, permits, or easements for this activity.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Salvador Salinas".

For

LARRY D. BUTLER
State Conservationist