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Mrs. Victoria Rutson  
Director, Office of Environmental Analysis  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E. Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423

Re: Docket No. FD-35522, *CSX Transportation, Inc. –Acquisition of Operating Easement—Grand Trunk Western Railroad Company* – Quarterly Report No. 3

Dear Mrs. Rutson:

Pursuant to condition VM 45 imposed by the Surface Transportation Board (the “Board”) in *CSX Transportation, Inc. –Acquisition of Operating Easement—Grand Trunk Western Railroad Company*, Docket No. FD 35522 (STB served February 8, 2013), CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) is submitting its fifth quarterly report on the progress of, implementation of, and compliance with the mitigation measures for the period of June 1, 2014 through August 31, 2014.

Enclosed is a chart describing the mitigation measures, the implementation deadlines, the process, and the status. Changes in the status from the fourth quarter chart filed on July 1, 2014, are in red.

In compliance with voluntary mitigation measure (“VM”) 45, CSXT will close the sixth quarter on November 30, 2014, and send you the sixth quarterly report by December 31, 2014.

During the third quarter of 2014, CSXT has worked diligently with appropriate state and local agencies to rehabilitate the at-grade crossings along the Elsdon Subdivision. As of the close of the fifth reporting quarter, CSXT has completely rehabilitated all of the scheduled at-grade crossings on the Elsdon Subdivision.

On August 12, 13, and 14, 2014, CSXT conducted training for approximately 100 first responders at Barr Yard, Riverdale, IL. Also on August 14, 2014, CSXT conducted a “Lunch and Learn” for local elected officials and chamber of commerce heads that was attended by representatives of the South Suburban Mayors and Managers, the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, and the following individuals: Senator Napoleon Harris (Elsdon Community);

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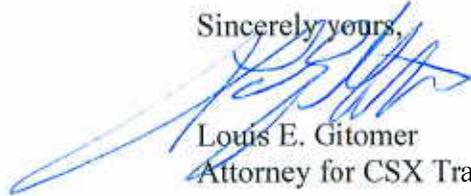
Thaddeus Jones (Elsdon Community); Representative Kelly Burke (Elsdon Community); Mayor Karen Darch; Mayor Riley Rogers (Dolton, IL); and Alderman John Pope.

On August 21, 2014, CSXT organized a tour of the Elsdon Subdivision for STB Chairman Daniel Elliott and Commissioner Ann Begeman. Division Chief John Bradley, CTCO Supt. Scott Kuhner, CSXT Signal Official Jaime Purl, and Regional Vice President – Midwest Tom Livingston participated in the tour on behalf of CSXT. The tour included information about the investment CSXT has made on the Elsdon Line, as well as, congestion issues on the Line. During the tour, CSXT and the STB Chairman and Commissioner met with Evergreen Park Mayor Jim Sexton, Representative Fran Hurley, Senator Bill Cunningham, Representative Kelly Burke, Alderman Matt O’Shea and local residents.

During the third quarter of 2014, there were two blocked crossings. On July 22, 2014 the crossing at 99<sup>th</sup> Street was blocked for 50 minutes, and on August 18, 2014, the crossing at 115<sup>th</sup> Street was blocked for 50 minutes. Both blockages were due to a foreign line dispatcher dropping a signal on the CSXT train when it was on the Elsdon Line. The trains were not cut in accordance with VM 6 because it would have caused additional delay at the crossing. CSXT is working with the foreign line to ensure that this does not happen in the future.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely yours,



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Enclosure