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**BY E-FILING**

Cynthia T. Brown, Chief  
Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, SW  
Washington DC 20423-0001

Re: *Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment, Discontinuance of Trackage Rights and Discontinuance of Service - in Cleveland and Rutherford Counties, NC, and Cherokee County, SC, AB-290 (Sub-327X)*

Dear Ms. Brown:

On June 18, 2015, the City of Shelby (the “City”) filed a letter with the Board seeking imposition of a 180-day public use condition and establishment of a Notice of Interim Trail Use (“NITU”) to allow the City to engage in negotiations with Norfolk Southern Railway Company (“NS”) toward a possible trails use arrangement for the subject rail lines, which extends from milepost SB 144.55 to milepost SB 154.50 and from milepost SB 158.10 to SB 160.00 in Cleveland County, North Carolina. NS was served a copy of aforementioned filing by the City. NS hereby notifies the Board that consistent with the City’s June 18<sup>th</sup> filing, it does not object to issuance of an NITU and is willing to engage in negotiations toward a possible trails use arrangement for the subject rail lines.

Sincerely,



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cc: All parties of record  
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