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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
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Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
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Re: **Finance Docket No. 35881**
South Carolina Division of Public Railways
d/b/a Palmetto Railways -- Change in Operator
Exemption -- North Charleston Terminal Company

Dear Ms. Brown:

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1150.42(e), South Carolina Division of Public Railways d/b/a Palmetto Railways ("Palmetto") hereby certifies that on December 15, 2014, the attached Notice was posted at the following workplace of Norfolk Southern Railway Company and CSX Transportation, Inc. employees at the rail facility in North Charleston, South Carolina currently leased to North Charleston Terminal Company ("Cosgrove Yard") that is the subject of the above-captioned exemption proceeding:

NCTC Yard Office
Cosgrove Yard
Mill Road
North Charleston, SC 29406

Palmetto also certifies that on December 17, 2014, the attached Notice was served by first class mail, postage prepaid, on the national offices of the labor unions representing employees at Cosgrove Yard, at the following addresses:

Mr. Dennis R. Pierce
National President
Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers & Trainmen, IBT
1370 Ontario Street, Mezzanine
Cleveland, OH 44113

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Mr. John Previsich
President, Transportation Division
International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail
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Mr. Freddie N. Simpson
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3 Research Place
Rockville, MD 20850

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me.
Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,


Thomas J. Litwiler
Attorney for South Carolina Division of
Public Railways d/b/a Palmetto Railways

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Attachment

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF PUBLIC RAILWAYS
d/b/a PALMETTO RAILWAYS
540 East Bay Street
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

NOTICE

Pursuant to regulations of the Surface Transportation Board (“STB”) at 49 C.F.R. § 1150.42(e), South Carolina Division of Public Railways d/b/a Palmetto Railways, a Class III rail carrier (“Palmetto Railways”), hereby gives notice to employees of CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) and Norfolk Southern Railway Company (“NSR”) that on or about February 16, 2015, Palmetto Railways intends to commence operating the Cosgrove Yard property in North Charleston, South Carolina currently leased to North Charleston Terminal Company (“NCTC”) and operated by NCTC’s owners CSXT and NSR. The NCTC lease will expire by its terms on February 16, 2015, at which time NCTC/CSXT/NSR operation of Cosgrove Yard will cease.

A notice of exemption to authorize the proposed change in operators transaction will be filed with the STB on or before January 16, 2015 in Finance Docket No. 35881.

Palmetto Railways has no future plans to hire additional employees as a result of the change in operators. Employees desiring further information regarding the transaction may contact Patrick McCrory, Palmetto Railways Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, at (843) 727-2067.

November 24, 2014