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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
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RE: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 656X), *CSX Transportation, Inc.–
Abandonment Exemption– in Marion County, WV*

Dear Ms. Brown:

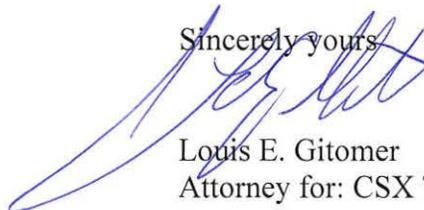
CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) responds to the letter filed by the Marion County Commission (“Marion”) on December 1, 2015, seeking an extension of time to negotiate interim trail use/rail banking.

CSXT agrees to a 180-day extension of time until May 29, 2016 (180 days after the date Marion filed the extension request) to negotiate interim trail use/rail banking with Marion for the 17.51-mile rail line on its Southern Region, Huntington Division East, Fairmont Subdivision, between Barrackville, milepost BS-306.32, and Mannington, milepost BS-319.48, including the Dents Run Spur between milepost BSB 0.00 and milepost BSB 4.35, in Marion County, WV (the “Line”). CSXT has not consummated abandonment of the Line.

As provided in 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), the extension of the trail negotiation period until May 29, 2016, creates a regulatory barrier to consummation of the abandonment, which provides CSXT with an additional 60 days to consummate the abandonment to July 28, 2016, if trail negotiation is unsuccessful.

CSXT is e-filing this response. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Sincerely yours



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cc: Ms. Cinalli