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Re: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 472X), BNSF Railway  
Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Stearns County,  
MN.

Dear Ms. Brown:

By decision served May 20, 2011, the Surface Transportation Board ("Board") exempted from the prior approval requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 10903 the abandonment by BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF") of its 7.05-mile rail line located between Milepost 9.16, at Rockville, and Milepost 16.21, at Cold Springs, in Stearns County, MN (the "Line") in the above-referenced proceeding.

BNSF is hereby notifying the Board that it is exercising the abandonment authority and converting the portion of the Line located between Milepost 9.16 and Milepost 13.2 to industry track. BNSF is consummating the abandonment for the portion of the Line located between Milepost 13.2 and Milepost 16.21, effective the date of this letter.



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Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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cc: Minnesota Department of Transportation