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Ms. Cynthia T. Brown
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RE: Docket No. AB-364 (Sub-No. 16X), *Mid-Michigan Railroad, Inc.–*
Abandonment Exemption–in Muskegon County, MI

Dear Ms. Brown:

By letter dated July 12, 2011, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (“MIDNRE”) requests the Surface Transportation Board (the “Board”) to extend for 180 days the time to negotiate trail use over the 3.35-mile line between milepost 191.40 and milepost 194.75 in Muskegon, MI (the “Line”). By decision served on November 23, 2011, the Board established an expiration date for trail use negotiation of May 9, 2011. On July 8, 2011, Mid-Michigan Railroad, Inc. (“MMRR”) filed an expedited request for an extension of the consummation deadline in this proceeding to provide MIDNRE the opportunity to seek an extension of time to negotiate trail use.

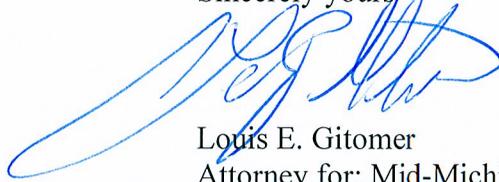
Although MIDNRE refers to the Board’s July 12, 2010 decision in the July 12 letter, MMRR believes that MIDNRE intended to refer to the November 23, 2010 decision. MMRR notifies the Board that it concurs in the extension for trail use negotiations for the Line for 180 days until January 8, 2012.

MMRR understands that pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 1152.29(e)(2) a NITU is a regulatory barrier to consummation of the abandonment and that the period for consummation of the abandonment is automatically extended until 60 days after the satisfaction, expiration or removal of the regulatory requirement. MMRR requests that the Board confirm that extension of the negotiating period until January 8, 2012, will also result in the consummation deadline for the Line being extended to March 9, 2012.

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MMRR is efileing this letter. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please contact me.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'L. Gitomer', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the left.

Louis E. Gitomer
Attorney for: Mid-Michigan Railroad, Inc.

cc: Mr. James Radabaugh