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Ms. Victoria Rutson
Chief, Office of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: STB Docket No. AB 6 (Sub-No. 482X), BNSF Railway
Company -- Abandonment Exemption -- In Cook County,
Illinois

Dear Ms. Rutson:

On April 3, 2012, BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF") filed, with the
Surface Transportation Board, the Environmental and Historic
Reports in the above-referenced proceeding.

Attached please find the additional response BNSF received from
the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.

Sincerely,

Karl Morell
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Enclosure



**Illinois Historic
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Cook County
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Station 24 + 43 - North of 35th St., West of St. Louis Ave. to Station 149 + 87 - 26th St. at Western Ave.; Bridge 2.2 over the Chicago River

STB-AB-6 Sub No. 482X
Railway Abandonment and Bridge Removal

April 17, 2012

John Sims
BNSF Railway Company
2500 Lou Menk Drive - AOB-3
Ft. Worth, TX 76131-2828

Dear Mr. Sims:

We are writing to rescind our letter dated January 26, 2012 because we have received new information about the Illinois Central Swing Bridge that is part of this project. The Illinois Central Swing Bridge, located near 35th Street and Pulaski Road in Chicago, was designated a Chicago Landmark on December 12, 2007. As such, the bridge has been determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places and the proposed demolition of the bridge constitutes and adverse effect on this historic structure as defined in 36 CRF Part 800.5.

Please initiate consultation with this office so that we may mitigate the adverse effect to this property. If you have questions please contact David J. Halpin, Cultural Resources Manager, at 217-785-4998.

Sincerely,

Anne E. Haaker
Deputy State Historic
Preservation Officer

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