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Chief of the Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings
Surface Transportation Board
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Re: **Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 729X), CSX Transportation, Inc.—Abandonment
Exemption—in Hagerstown, Washington County, MD**

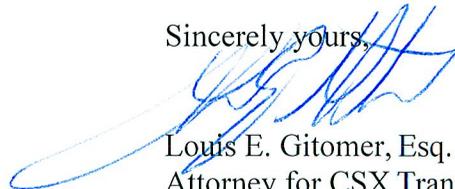
Dear Ms. Brown:

By letter filed December 31, 2013, the City of Hagerstown, Maryland (“Hagerstown”) filed a Statement of Willingness to Assume Financial Responsibility for an approximately 0.90-mile rail line on its Northern Region, Baltimore Division, Lurgan Subdivision, between milepost BBT 3.9, at the connection to the CSXT main line, and the end of track at railroad milepost BBT 3.0, at Alternate Route US 40 south of Eastern Boulevard South in Hagerstown, Washington County, MD (the “Line”). Hagerstown has also requested a 180-day public use condition over the Line.

By this letter, CSX Transportation, Inc. does not oppose the public use condition, and agrees to negotiate with Hagerstown toward a possible interim trail use/rail banking arrangement for the Line.

This letter is being efiled. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely yours,



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Cc: Mayor David S. Gysberts